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## Electricity from the earth's atmosphere. An old forgotten idea?

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Solar, wind, hydroelectric, geothermal, biogas. These are the main renewable and non-polluting energy sources. But are we sure not to leave something out?

It is known that the Earth's atmosphere has a potential difference that increases with height. For non-professionals it is known that the atmosphere was a charged battery. This is evident during thunderstorms, when this charge finds its outlet in the form of lightning, a frightening and fascinating phenomena that are lightning. Many have imagined and studied methods for storing lightning energy, but this presents numerous problems:

- 1) it is not known in advance where a lightning will strike or in any case where a thunderstorm will take place; 2) even if a lightning strike could be intercepted, for example by attracting it with a kind of lightning rod, it would be extremely difficult to store all its energy, since the discharge is very short; 3) moreover, most of the lightning energy dissipates in the form of light, heat and sound. In short, a "power plant" based on the interception of lightning would not be very profitable. What is less known, however, is that the atmosphere has this charge even when there is not even a cloud in the sky.

The idea of deriving electricity directly from the earth's atmosphere dates back more than a century ago. To my knowledge - I urge readers to post comments if they are aware of other studies - the latest and most promising study in this field was carried out by the Estonian engineer and inventor **Hermann Plauson**. His studies took place in the 1920s, almost a century ago. Is it possible that since then there has been no progress in this field? Why did the idea of extracting electricity from the Earth's atmosphere go into oblivion, even though it seemed promising at the time of Plauson's studies?

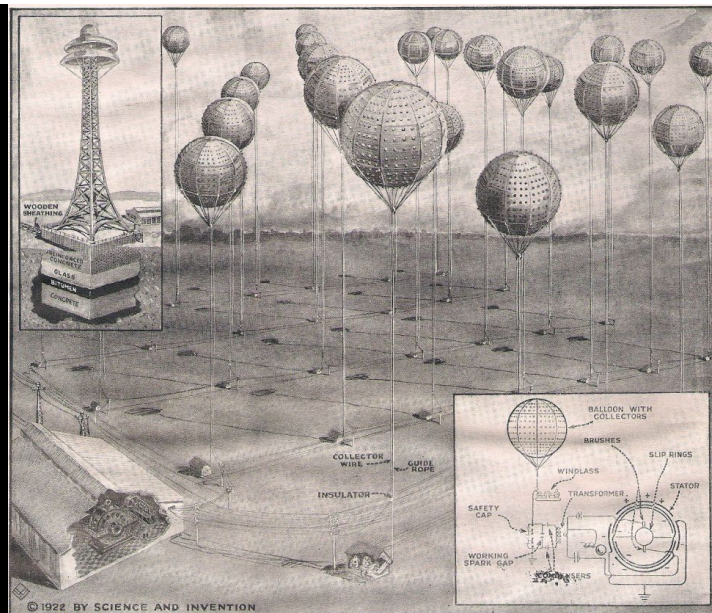


Image taken from the magazine "Science and Invention" (1922), where we describe the invention of Hermann Plauson. Let's see before giving a brief description of the method used by Plauson. An electricity collector, consisting for example a balloon filled with helium, was raised to an altitude of several hundred meters, connected to the ground by a conductor cable. The balloon itself was made of conductive material and was covered with innumerable little needles, capable of collecting atmospheric electricity through a phenomenon called field effect emission. High-voltage electricity was conveyed to the ground by the conductor cable, and was converted into low-voltage electricity to be used by common electric users.

In the description of his invention, Plauson reports that he managed to get about 3.4 kW (kilowatt) in a "pilot" experiment using two of these balloons.

Returning to the first question: why such a promising technology was abandoned?

Several hypotheses can be made. The Plauson method provided - even if it was not bound - the use of radioactive material (radio and / or polonium), whose ionizing properties were used as a "catalyst" to increase the current inflow. It is obvious that today any alternative energy proposal based on the use of radioactive material would not be frowned upon, considering the possible environmental impact that could result from accidental contamination. As a note it is interesting to mention that until the eighties a type of lightning conductor covered with a thin layer of americium (radioactive material), similar in concept to the Plauson collectors, was used in Italy: it is useless to say that these devices are currently become outlaws.

Another possible reason why the idea was abandoned may be related to the fact that the energy needs in the 20s were lower than today's ones: a typical "central" "at Plauson", composed of 100 separate balls the one from the other of about 100 meters (so 1 km of side), would have generated some hundreds of kilowatt: a power of all respect for those times that pales a bit when compared to the energy produced by a single wind generator - about 1 Megawatt.

This reason, however, would justify only part of the abandonment of research in this field, since a system that allows to obtain even a few kilowatts using just a couple of balloons could be competitive - compared to wind energy - in areas windy and not served by the electricity network. **Let's add at this point an advantage that this system would have: wind and solar: uninterrupted production 24 hours a day and 365 days a year.**

Apparently, therefore, the only major obstacle would seem to be represented by the use of radioactive material. And we are meeting the recent technological development. In recent years, in fact, techniques have been developed to obtain nanomaterials that are very efficient from the point of view of field effect emission: in practice they are super-pins that could function as effective collectors of atmospheric electricity without resorting to use of radioactive material.

Some might argue, and rightly so, "But are these particular nanomaterials safe from the health point of view?" Unfortunately, since these are new technologies, it is still difficult to estimate the impact in this sense, but some studies are under way. If, as is hoped, these materials will be considered harmless to health, then it can not be excluded that the research on electric energy obtained directly from the earth's atmosphere will find a new vigor and this source not yet exploited can go alongside the best known renewable and non-polluting sources.

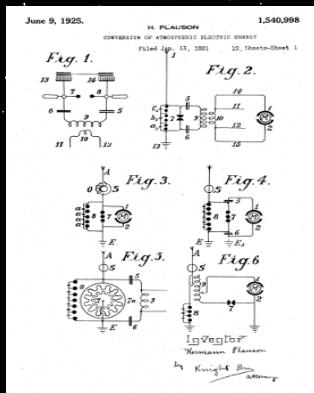
As a final note it should be added that even without using radioactive material and the nanomaterials mentioned above

system similar to that of Plauson could provide modest but useful quantities of electricity, finding application especially in the areas of developing countries far from large centers inhabited.

## Hermann PLAUSON

### Conversion of Atmospheric Electricity

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In 1920 the German engineer Hermann Plauson published a text "Gewinnung und Verwertung der Atmosphärischen Elektrizität" (Acquisition and utilization of atmospheric electricity).

Where he concluded that atmospheric electricity could be captured and exploited by men.

In this regard he wrote:

"Humanity will be free from worry about the threat of freezing death, knowing that in a predetermine time it will be possible to exploit the natural resources to the fullest ... Humanity will no longer suffer from the cold, because mother nature will give her abundant gift power."

Plauson designed a series of helium-filled balloons, able to collect atmospheric electricity in the atmosphere through the use of thermionic rectifiers, Leyden bottle condensers and induction coils, his idea was to supply energy to whole Germany.

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Biography

**Hermann Plauson** was an Estonian engineer and inventor. Plauson investigated the production of energy and power via atmospheric electricity.

Plauson was the director of the Fischer-Tropsch "Otto Traun Research Laboratories" in Hamburg, Germany during the Weimar Republic of the 1920s. Nikola Tesla's idea for connecting machinery to the "wheelwork of nature". Plauson's US Patent # 1,540,998 methods of converting alternating radiant electricity into rectified continuous current pulses. He developed the Plauson's converter, an electrostatic generator. In 1920, Plauson published a book *Production and Utilization of the Atmospheric Electricity* " ( *Gr., Gewinnung und Verwertung der Atmosphärischen Elektrizität* ). A copy of this book is in the British Library.

It is believed to be Gertrud Plauson (the exact relationship is unknown);

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### Power from the Air (I)

by

**Hugo Gernsback**

In the war there was developed in Germany in the new art --- or science --- that bids fair to revolutionize our present means of obtaining power.

This art, which is as new now as wireless, is 25 years ago, will be attainments during the next 25 years that may appear fantastic today. Hermann Plauson of the new science, has devoted years of labor to his researches and he has now been using small power plants, generating electricity direct from the air at night, without interruption at practically no cost, once the plant is constructed.

We have occasion, to describe the system, roughly, from cabled dispatches, but complete information is available now. The amount of electrical power in our atmosphere is astounding. Herr Plauson found in his experiments a single balloon sent to a height of 300 yards gave a constant current at 400 amperes, or in 24 hours over 17-1 / 4 kilowatts! By using two balloons in connection with a special condenser battery, the power obtained was 81-1 / 2 kilowatts in 24 hours. The actual current delivered was 6.8 amperes at 500 volts.

The best balloons used by the inventor are made of thin aluminum leaf. No fabric was used. A simple internal system of ribs, stays and wires, gives the balloon a certain amount of elasticity. The balloon, when made airtight, is filled with hydrogen or better, with helium. It will then stay aloft for weeks at a time. The surface is made of extremely sharp pins, made sharp electrolytically. Ordinary pins did not test good current collectors, as they lacked extreme sharpness. The pins themselves were made from amalgamated zinc, containing a radium preparation, in order to ionize the air. It was also found that by the outer surface of the balloon with zinc-amalgam. Even better results were obtained with polonium amalgam.

One hundred of these captive balloons, separated one hundred yards from each other, will give a steady yield of 200 horsepower. This is the minimum horsepower, due to the higher electrification of the atmosphere.

We need to go into the technic of how the problem is now solved by Herr Plauson. By using batteries of condensers, high tension transformers, etc., the power can be changed to any form desired. Such as lighting, running motors, charging storage batteries, etc.

Plauson also invented a sort of electrostatic rotary transformer which gives alternating current without the use of condensers and transformers. Indeed, it is very great, as it is actually sucks the current from the collector balloons. There is no doubt that this invention will become a universal use all over the world. We shall see the land with captive balloons, especially in the country. Indeed, the time is not all that is coming from the atmosphere. It may be the least form of power as the cheapest form of power known today. Not only that, but not as devastating thunder storms occur

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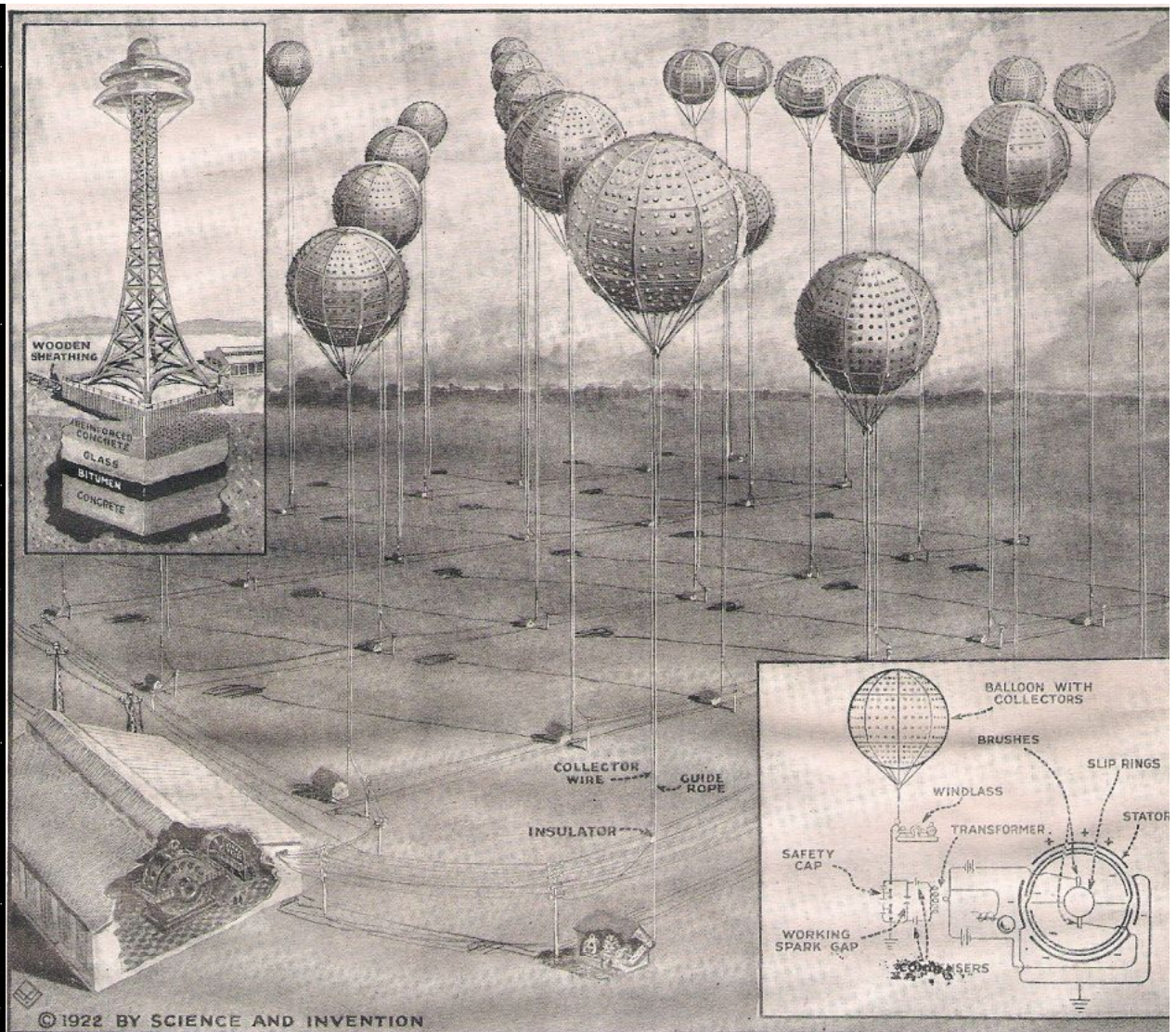
### Power from the Air (II)

by

**Hugo Gernsback**

[For many years electrical engineers have been able to use the free electrical energy ever present in the atmosphere, but they were not the elevated conditions endanger the lives of the experimenters, or else destroy the apparatus connected with it. A German engineer has, however, devised the somewhat elaborate system here shown in the brief, and he has succeeded, at least so his report states, in safely extracting several kilowatts of electrical power from the atmosphere by means of metallic surfaced balloons, elevated to a height of only 1000 feet. ]





We have been treated with the extraction of electrical energy from the atmosphere. The difference of the electric potential in different parts of the atmosphere is the difference between the upper air and the earth. The power would take the form of high potential. It has long appeared rather than to conservative energy that such a source of power should really be available. It is not the same, but when the lightning flash is flashing, it is likely to be very small. seriously, as the matter is now being seriously investigated. A German scientist, Hermann Plauson;

We will first speak of the methods used for collecting electricity from the upper air. The author cites several German patents. One of them shows the use of a balloon. The balloon is shown floating in the air, kite fashion, and from a great net or aerial for the collection of electricity. The conductor from the aerial to the ground station; quite an elaborate description of the net-work which the patentee proposes to have covered with needle points. A windlass takes in the cable for the balloon, and the patentee claims that will send you to 225,000 volts to draw upon. He then speaks of a battery of 20,000 cells in series, which will give up to 40,000 to 50,000 volts in the charging. This certainly provides for a large large fall of potential.

But our author discards this idea and first suggest something more permanent. He proposes the erection of towers to the height of 1,000 feet. At the top of each tower is his collecting aerial. The appliance consists of a number of copper tubes; to the top of the tubes, with the aim of collecting net-work covering the tops of the tubes. "One of his apprehensions" should be his "trouble trouble", he would like to propose himself to "Siamese pagoda". He also compares the form of the proposed great petticoat insulator. His is insulated from the earth. He, therefore describes a complicated foundation for his structure. A foundation of simple concrete subject, it is a layer of cast glass, three to ten feet thick, and then comes to a reinforced concrete foundation. Sides of the ground, this foundation must be at least seven feet thick. The author's idea is based on the number of these towers connected by a horizontal cable, three to ten feet thick, and then to a reinforced concrete foundation, to which the metallic foot of the tower is to be anchored. Sides of the ground, this foundation must be raised at least seven feet. The author's idea is based on the number of these towers connected by a horizontal cable, three to ten feet thick, and then to a reinforced concrete foundation, to which the metallic foot of the tower is to be anchored. Sides of the ground, this foundation must be raised at least seven feet. The author's idea is based on the number of these towers connected by a horizontal cable.

The author strongly advocates balloons as collectors of the electric power of the air. These he depicts covered with spots. These spots indicate areas to be coated and prepared to collect potential from the atmosphere.

In the first place he described the balloon as "made of thin metallic leaf" supported by internal ribs. Steel wires silver-plated, copper-plated, or aluminum-plated run from the balloon to the pendant or junction ring. To this ring the cable is attached to the surface of the earth, 300 feet to three miles.

The coating of the spots is to be of the thinnest amalgam, of mercury and gold, or zinc, or even polonium, perhaps only 1/2500 inch thick. Numberless millions of needle-like wires, they are collected into bundles and are treated electrolytically in a bath, so as to be dissolved into part. This gives a sharp roughened surface. The points may be of copper, steel, or some hard metallic alloy. After this corrosion. As it may be termed, the wires are plated with one of the so-called noble metals. It is advised that polonium or radium salts be added to the plating bath.

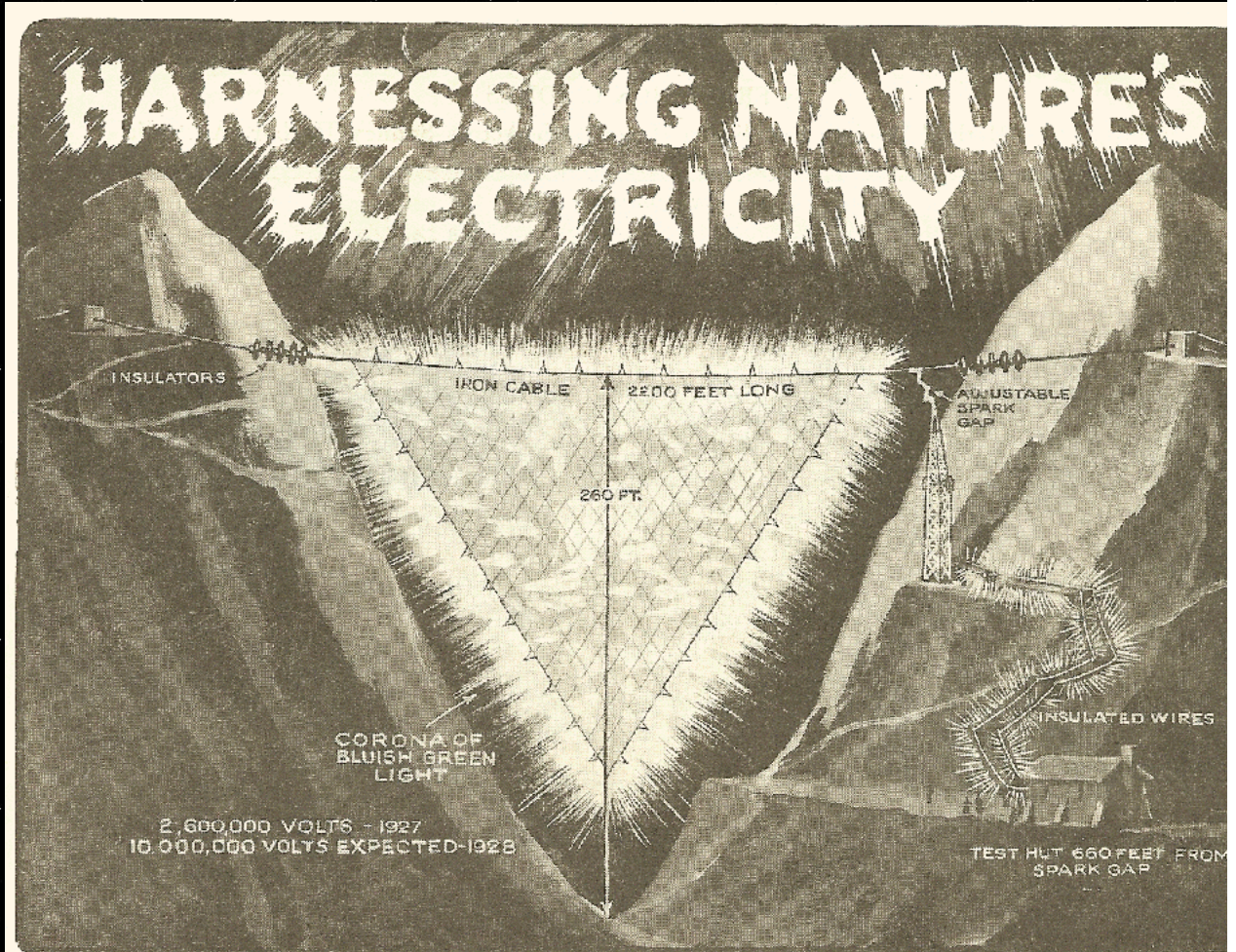


Dr Plauson devotes This is a rotary motor including a stator and rotor and its peculiarity is that it contains no coils, develops no electromagnetic field, but works by static excitation. One typical arrangement is shown in our illustration. The stator plates and rotor plates are concentric with representing segments of cylinders. The alternation of negative and positive charged plates produces the rotation. In the connection there is included a spark gap to take care of dangerous potentials. Inductances and capacities are also used and indicated. The plates heated, owing to the Foucault currents, are subdividing the stator and rotor plates, are described by the author.

The whole subject is quite captivating, and it really seems as if the use of the air may be in sight. It would seem to be possible to carry out experiments in this direction by means of the Eiffel Tower.

And now our author gives us some practical details. He says that he is doing it with a radium preparation as an ionizer. The surface of the balloon was covered with zinc amalgam. It was sent to a height of 300 meters, early 1,000 feet, and was held by a copper-plated steel wire. A constant current of 1.8 amperes and an average of 400 volts potential difference was obtained. This gave nearly three-quarters of a kilowatt, or close to one horsepower. The collector of the balloon was to be a tension of 42,000 volts. A passing a second balloon with an antenna. Antenna, and the antenna connection with the 500 volts mean tension, The use of these two balloons.

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## Remarkable European Experiments with Atmospheric Electrical Discharges with Potentials as High as 3,000,000 Volts

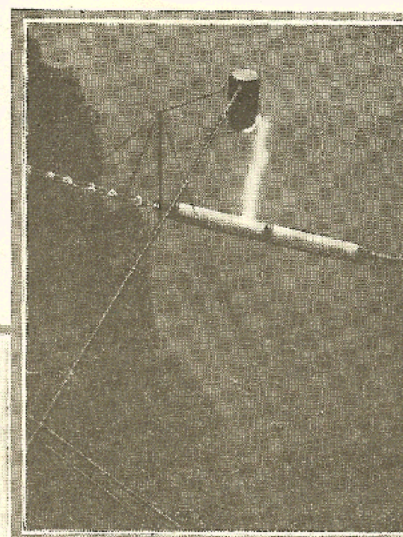
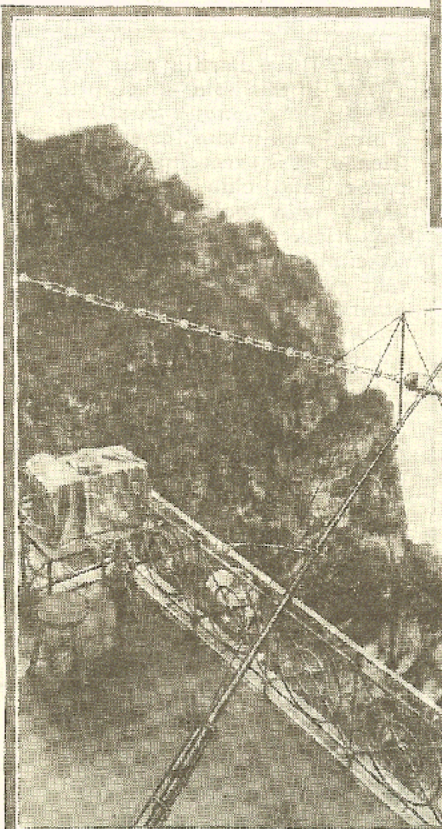
By HENRY TOWNSEND

elevation of 350 ft., and these students of natural electrical phenomena have found a very desirable location in the Alps, where they can suspend between one mountain and an adjacent one, a strong iron cable having a length of about 2,000 ft. This cable is about 250 feet above the intervening valley, and from it these daring engineers have suspended a coarsely woven wire net, which serves as an electrical capacity to gather the electricity from the atmosphere. As shown in the pictures, the wire net is supplied with numerous sharp points to aid in collecting the current from the air.

As the accompanying photographs of the actual apparatus and wire cable used last year clearly show, an adjustable spark gap of considerable length is provided. By adjusting this spark gap to various lengths, it is possible to judge the voltage of the discharge which leaps the gap at any moment. Mr. F. W. Peek, Jr., the well-known American worker in the realm of high voltage measurements, together with other engineers, have provided tabulated data and curves for various lengths of both needle and sphere type spark gaps. As one of the accompanying diagrams shows, it is a simple matter to calculate the voltage when a certain length of gap is used. The engineer first checks the length of the gap on the chart; he then follows a line horizontally from the gap length, to where it intersects with the angular line on the chart; and from the point of intersection he looks in a visual line downward to a place where the voltage is given. For needle spark gap measurements, the characteristic curve on the chart is practically a straight line, while for sphere gaps the characteristic curve on the voltage versus gap length, is a curved line. Those interested in high voltage measurements by means of the spark gap method can find the voltage-gap tables and charts in the *Standardization Rules* of the American

Institute of Electrical Engineers. According to Mr. Peek's researches, the voltage per foot of atmospheric electrical discharges is about 100,000, while in laboratory measurements with A.C. transformer high potential discharges, the average voltage per foot of spark was found to be about 150,000 volts. The voltage of a lightning flash may

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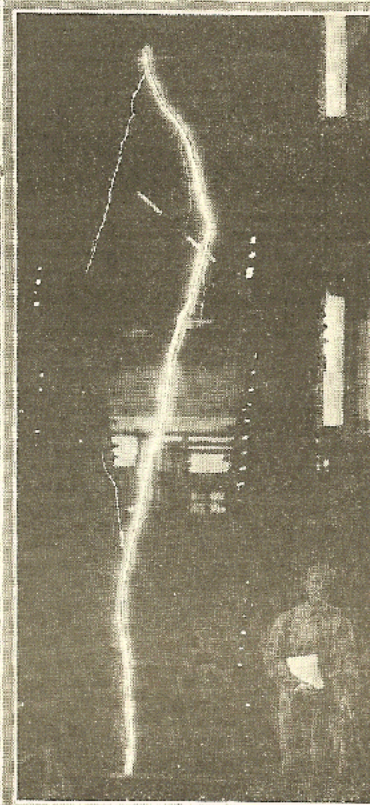
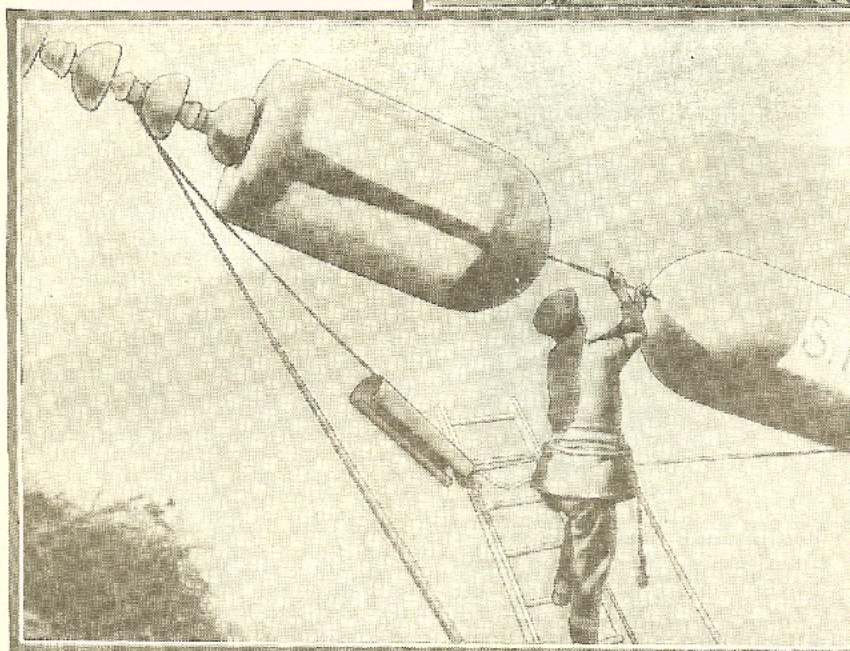


Actual photo at shows 13 ft. spark obtained in the Alps by the German scientists. voltage is about 2,000. The spark occurs once per second for minutes.

Photo, left, shows adjustable spark used in the Alps. Note the heavy trade on the end of adjustable arm to which the spark jumps

Below we see 3,000 volt artificial light stroke produced in E. Laboratory at P. field, Mass. Note n

Actual photograph of the experimental "kite" used by the German experimenters in the Alps Mountains, for the purpose of accumulating high potential electrical discharges from the atmosphere. Note the size of the insulators.





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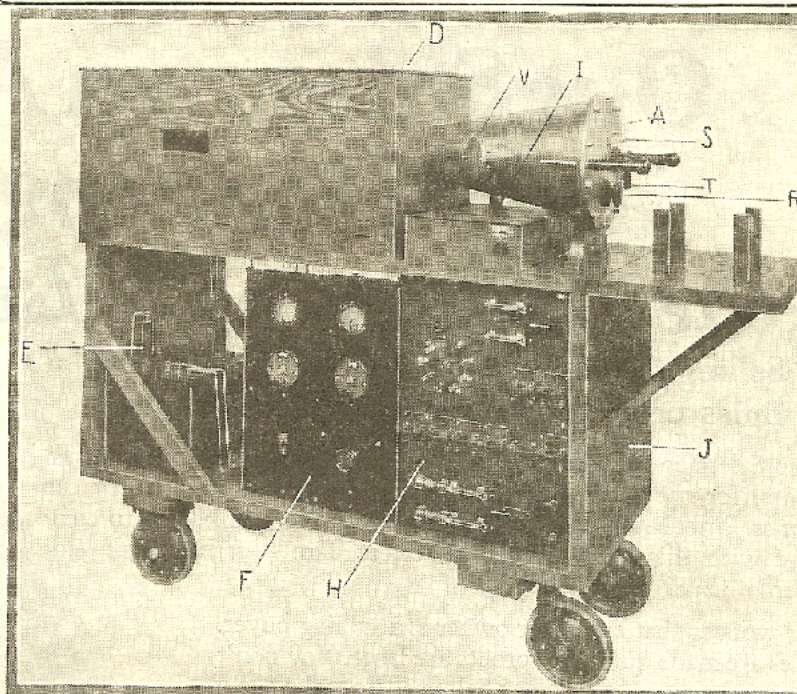
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## HARNESSING NATURE'S ELECTRICITY

By HENRY TOWNSEND  
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Remarkable cathode ray oscillograph used by Mr. F. W. Peek, Jr., in causing lightning to write its autograph with a pencil of electrons on a photographic film.

easily be 100,000,000 volts, as Mr. Peek has pointed out in one of his scientific papers.

### WHY THE EXPERIMENTS ARE BEING MADE

ONE of the main reasons why these dangerous experiments are being carried on by the three young German scientists, whose names we have already learned, is because science believes that with a sufficiently high voltage, it will be possible for man to disintegrate the atom, and in this way make available a tremendous source of power as yet untapped. These experts have calculated that they will be able to obtain electrical energy in sufficient quantity from one of these powerful atmospheric discharges, to equal the Alpha rays obtained from 220 pounds of radium. As we have mentioned before, these experiments are of course fraught with great danger, and for that reason the experimenters seek refuge in a special lightning-proof hut, which is located about 600 ft., from the spark gap. When electrical storms are in the vicinity, it is especially important that the scientists keep within their protected fortress, for otherwise they would very probably be killed by a stray electrical discharge.

One of the peculiar things about this whole line of experiment is that the average layman does not realize perhaps, that there is a high electrical stress in the atmosphere on clear days, as well as when thunder storms are overhead. This fact has been known for a hundred years and more, and many years ago measurements of the various electrical potentials at increasing altitudes, were observed and measured by scientific investigators. There are a number of different ways in which these high electrical potentials found in the atmosphere can be measured; one of these methods involves the use of a calibrated spark gap. In this case the gap is set to a predetermined length, and when a discharge jumps this gap, the engineers know of course from previous experience and measurements, just what voltage is present. Another method of measuring

extra high potentials, such as here encountered, requires the use of a static voltmeter, which involves the use of a stationary and of a movable or rotary set of metal plates, forming a condenser, to which indicating needle is attached. For voltages above 2,000, static voltmeters have been used in a great many American central stations and they have many desirable and useful characteristics. Of course as the voltage to be measured increases, the space between the quadrant shaped stationary and movable plates is increased and vice versa. An electrostatic field from voltages below 2 is not sufficient to warrant the use of a static voltmeter. Another method of measuring high potentials involves the use of the so-called vacuum tube voltmeter.

The general characteristics of the atmospheric electrical discharges, including lightning, have been measured and recorded by one of the newest scientific instruments known as the cathode ray oscillograph. By means of this quite remarkable, high voltage scientific apparatus, Mr. Peek, one of the well-known General Electric Company staff of research engineers, has made some very interesting and remarkable discoveries concerning the nature of natural electrical discharges, particularly of lightning discharges. Many people will probably wonder why Mr. Peek and some of his colleagues in the engineering profession, including three daring German students, Messrs. Brusch, Lange and Urban, play with so dangerous electrical discharges, and why they are at all interested in them. We explained previously why the German scientists are intent on finding out all they can about these tremendous voltages obtained in the atmosphere, while Mr. Peek, we may say, also has a very practical reason for carrying on experiments with these deadly bolts of Thor. Mr. Peek has been for many years intent on finding out what causes the huge insulators on long distance high potential transmission lines to break down when electrical storms break loose in these regions.



### Plauson's Electrical Patents

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Conversion of Atmospheric Electric Energy

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Improvements in Electric Motors

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### Atmospheric Electricity Research [Excerpts]

In the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, a large number of investigators

Dr Hermann Plauson who in the 1920s succeeded in generating significant quantities of electrical power with modern solar photovoltaic systems of a size

Dr Hermann Plauson. Dr Plauson was an Estonian citizen who lived in Hamburg and Switzerland. He carried out experiments in Finland with magnesium-aluminum alloys, covered with electrolytically deposited needles. The needles were further doped with a radium compound to increase the ionization of the air. (This was the era in which the hands were painted with radium to make them luminous in the dark). Zinc amalgam patches were also painted on the needles. Plauson obtained with power output of 0.72kW and 3.4kW from one and two aerostats 300m above ground level. Dr Plauson filed patents in Great Britain and Germany in the 1920s. His book "Gewinnung und Verwertung der Atmosphärischen Elektrizität".

Other atmospheric electricity researchers contemporary to Dr Plauson included Walter Pennock and MW Dewey in the USA, Andor Palencsar in Hungary and Heinrich Rudolph in Germany. Hippolyte Charles Vion in Paris predated them all, putting forward proposals in the 1850s and 1860s.

Heinrich Rudolph made an interesting contribution to the design of the aerostat collectors. In 1898 he designed an elliptical aerostat made up of faceted panels to minimize the effect of wind. The design bears a strong resemblance to Northrop's 2003 UCARS unmanned helicopter UAV project. The design uses a large number of small aerostats to help keep the aerostat on station and minimise wind effects.

Dr Oleg Jefimenko. In recent times, Dr Oleg Jefimenko has been active in this field. Dr Jefimenko carried out experiments on electrostatic motors from the 1970s.



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### Conversion of Atmospheric Electric Energy

(9 June 1925)

Hermann PLAUSON

Be it known that I, Hermann Plauson, Estonian subject, residing in Hamburg, Germany, have been invented in the Conversion of Atmospheric Electric Energy the following is a specification.

A method of obtaining atmospheric electricity by means of metallic nettings set with spikes which are held by means of ordinary or anchored kite balloons not filled with hydrogen, are in theory already known. Direct current for the charging of accumulators. This knowledge is only presented as theoretical as the conversion has hitherto been a failure. Apparatus of destruction by lightning. The balloons used for collecting the charge must also be made of very large size.

Non-conducting materials of non-conducting materials that are liable to be used as non-conducting materials

- (a) The metallic cases are impenetrable to helium and hydrogen; they also represent large metallic weather-proof collecting surfaces.
- (b) Radio active means the like may be easily applied internally or externally; whereby the ionization is considerable increased and there is also the quantity of electricity capable of being collected.
- (c) These balloons have been produced by light weight.
- (d) The entire system offers a small surface for the action of storm and wind.
- (e) Each balloon can be raised and lowered by means of a winch so that all repairs can be carried out without danger during the operation.

Collaterals are interconnected by electrical conductors.

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This article is based on the current law. It is possible to obtain electromagnetic waves of various amplitude and to increase the degree of resonance of such resonance can be used to provide the possibility to be chosen again by the starting and stopping of the machine by simply transforming the resonance between machine and the transformer forming the resonance. Further, such currents have the property of being directly available for various uses, even without electromagnetic driving motors, of which there may be

Further, with such currents a series of apparatus may be fed without direct current supply through conductors and also the electro-magnetic high frequency converted by means of special motors adapted for electro-magnetic oscillations into mechanical energy, or finally converted by special machines into alternating

The invention is more particularly, with reference to the accompanying diagrams in which:

Figure 1 is and explanatory figures.

Figure 2 is a diagrammatic view of the simplest form.

Figure 3 shows a method of converting

Figure 4 is a diagram showing the use of protective means.

Figure 5 is a diagram of an arrangement for converting large current strengths.

Figure 6 is a diagram of an arrangement including controlling means.

Figure 7 shows means whereby the spark gap can be adjusted.

Figure 8 shows a unipolar connection for the motor.



Figure 9 shows a weak coupled system suitable for use with small power motors.

Figures 10, 11, and 12 show modified arrangements.

Figure 13 shows a form of inductive coupling for the motor circuit.

Figure 14 is a modified form of Figure 13 with inductive coupling.

Figure 15 is an arrangement with a non-inductive motor.

Figure 16 is an arrangement with coupling by condenser.

Figures 17, 18, and 19 are diagrams of further modifications.

Figure 20 shows a simple form in which the serial network is combined with special collectors.

Figure 21 shows diagrammatically an arrangement suitable for collecting large quantities of energy.

Figure 22 is a modified arrangement with two rings of collectors.

Figure 23 shows the connection for three rings of collectors.

Figure 24 shows a collecting balloon and a diagram of its connection of condenser batteries.

Figures 25 and 26 show modified collector balloon arrangements.

Figure 27 shows a second method of connecting conductor for the balloon aerials.

Figure 28 shows an auto-transformer method of connection.

Figure 29 shows the simplest form of construction with incandescent cathode.

Figure 30 shows a form with a cigar shaped balloon.

Figure 31 is a modified arrangement.

Figure 32 shows a form with cathode and electrode enclosed in a vacuum chamber.

Figure 33 is a modified form of Figures 32.

Figure 34 shows an arc light collector.

Figure 35 shows such an arrangement for alternating current.

Figure 36 shows an incandescent collector with Nernst lamp.

Figure 37 shows a form with a gas flame.

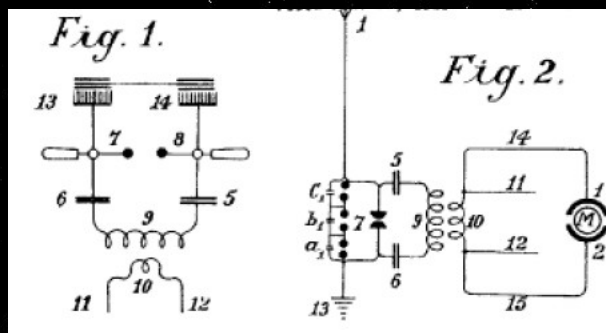


Figure 1 illustrates a simple diagram for converting static electricity into a dynamic power of a high number of oscillations. An illustration of an influence machine of clarity. 13 and 14 are combs for collecting the static electricity. 7 and 8 are spark discharging electrodes. 10 and 8 inductive coil, 10 secondary coils, 1 conductors of the secondary coil 10. When the disc of the static influence is rotated by mechanical means, the combs collect the electric charges one the and and 6 until the potential is formed across the spark gap 7-8, that the spark gap is jumped. As the spark gap 7-8 forms a closed circuit with condensers 5 and 6,

The high frequency of the oscillations produced in the primary circuit. Thus in the primary circuit electromagnetic oscillations are formed by the passage of the

The ratio between the number of the coils in the primary and the secondary circuits with the correct use of the co-efficients of the resonance (especially resistance) voltage and high current strength.

The liquid gap until the accumulated charge again breaks the spark gap. This is how it is produced by the static machine employing mechanical energy.

Figure 2 in which two spark gaps in parallel are shown in Figure 2, while the second one is used as a safety device for excess voltage and consists of a larger in series and are bridged by very small capacities as shown in a, b, c, Figure 2

In Figure 2, it is an aerial antenna for collecting charges of atmospheric electricity. 13 is the earth connection of the second part of the spark gap, 5 and 6 are primary coil. Now when you go through the aerial The spark gaps. The resistance of the spark gap is shown in the drawings, lower than that of the other safe consists of three spark gaps connected in series, and consequently to three times.

So long, therefore, as the resistance of the spark gap, I know that the other spark gaps have an equal resistance with the discharges take place it could be danger the condensers 5 and 6 for the coil insulation 9 and 10 in consequence of the break down, by a correct regulation of this spark gap



Without this second spark gap, it is impossible to collect and make available large quantities of electrical energy.

Capacitor 5 and 6, primary coil 9, and also secondary coil 10 is the same as the one described in Figure 1 with the arrangement of the static induction machine difference that here the second spark gap is provided. The electromagnetic high frequency alternating current can be tapped off from the conductors 11 and 12 for heating purposes. Special kinds of motors with special features such as electrical systems may be connected to 14 and 15 which can work with static electricity oscillations.

In addition to the use of spark gaps in parallel a second measure of security is also necessary for taking off the current. This is a precautionary measure based on the introduction of a method of connecting certain protective electromagnets or choking coils in the aerial circuit as shown by S in Figure 3.

A single electromagnet only having a core of the thinnest possible separate laminations is connected with the aerial.

In the case of high frequencies in the aerial network or at places where there are frequent thunder storms, several such magnets may be connected in series.

In the case of parallel or parallel series.

The windings of these electromagnets may be connected in series with the aeriels. In this case the winding preferably consists of several thin parallel wires together, the necessary section.

The winding may be made of primary and secondary windings in the form of a transformer. The primary windings will be connected in series with the aerial secondary winding is more or less short-circuited over a regulating resistance or an induction coil. It is possible to regulate to a certain extent the effect of the aerial electromagnet choke coil is indicated by a simple ring

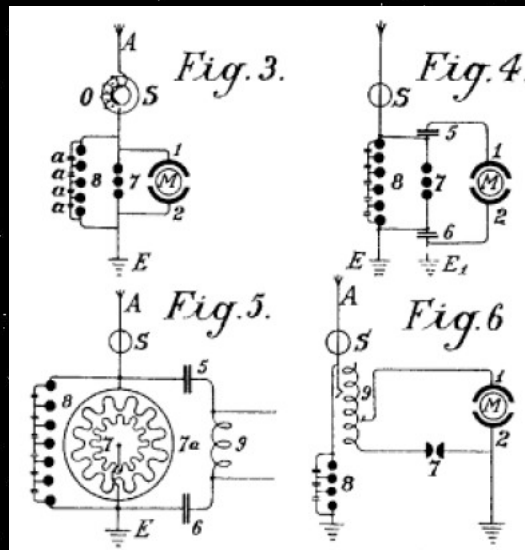


Figure 3 shows the simplest way of converting atmospheric electricity into electromagnetic waves. Recent improvements in motorsport with motorsports, world States

Diagrammatically indicated by the two semicircles 1 and 2 and the rotor of the motor by a ring M (Figure 3). A is a vertical aerial or aerial network. The electromagnetic and the electromagnet with the spark gap, the circuit 8 with the spark gap, and then a circuit including the stator terminal 1, the rotor and stator surfaces 1 and 2, and spark gap 7, a closed oscillation circuit is obtained which the connection is made to the earth wire. The two spark gaps are also connected metallically with the earth wire. These methods are as follows:

The positive atmospheric electric charge collected with the earth. It goes through the electromagnet. Further, its progress is arrested by two spark gaps placed between the stator condenser surfaces. The stator condenser surfaces are charged until the charge is higher than the resistance of the spark gap 7, whereupon a spark occurs across the spark gap 7, and an oscillatory charge is obtained from the motor M, stator surfaces 1 and 2, and spark gap 7, a closed oscillation circuit is obtained for electromagnetic oscillations. The motor here forms the capacity and the necessary inductance and resistance, which, as is well known,

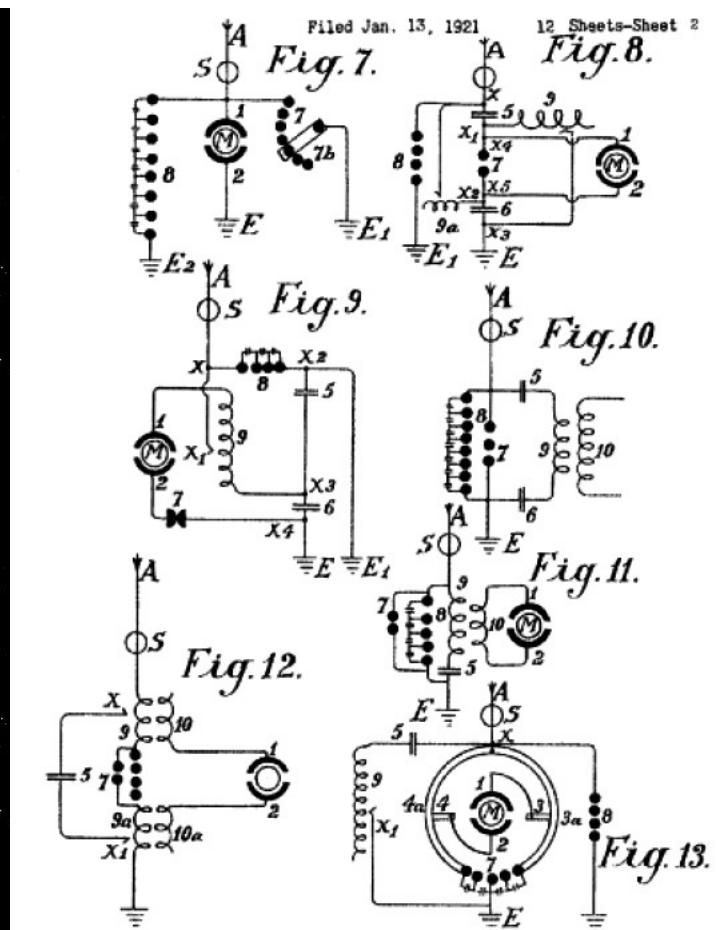
By the electromagnet or choke. A light source, a periodic difference in the electromagnet, a periodic difference between the two, and is. This is the case of the electromagnet which is sufficiently high, and is supplied to the flow of atmospheric electricity.

With the wave of the motor, it does not end with the natural frequency of the motor, it does not endanger the motor through the spark gap.

In the diagram illustrated in Figure 4 the spark gap is shunted across condensers 5 and 6 from the motor.

In Figure 5 a diagram is illustrated for large current strengths which may be direct direct without motors, for example, for lighting or heating purposes. The diagram shows that the spark gap consists of 7. When separated from one another, discharges take place, thus forming an oscillation circuit over condensers 5 and 6, and oscillatory discharges. It is evident that a motor may be connected to the ends of the spiral 9.

The construction of the diagram is shown in Figure 6 of the oscillating circuit of the motor being connected with an induction coil. Motorcycles can be more or less coiled 9 (coupled inductively to the aerial).



In Figure 7 the oscillation circuit is closed through the earth (E and E1). Spark gap 7 may be prolonged or shortened by more or fewer spark gaps being successively closed by means of a contact arm 7b.

Diagram 8 shows a unipolar connection of the motor with the aerial network. Here two oscillation circuits are closed through the same motor. Electromagnetic induction 9a to the earth condenser 6 and further, over spark gap 7 to the aerial condenser 5 and back to x. The second oscillation circuit from the aerial condenser 5 over the inductance 9 to the earth condenser 6 at the point x and through the condenser 6 over the spark gap 7 back to x. The motor itself is inserted between two points of the spark gap 7. From this arrangement, slightly damped oscillation wave currents are produced.

In the diagram illustrated in Figure 9, a loosely coupled system of connections is shown as being for small motors for measuring purposes. A the aerial conductor, 9 the inductance, 7 the spark gap, 5 and 6 condensers, E the earth, M the motor, and 1 and 2 stator connections of the motor are directly metallically connected with the oscillation circuit.

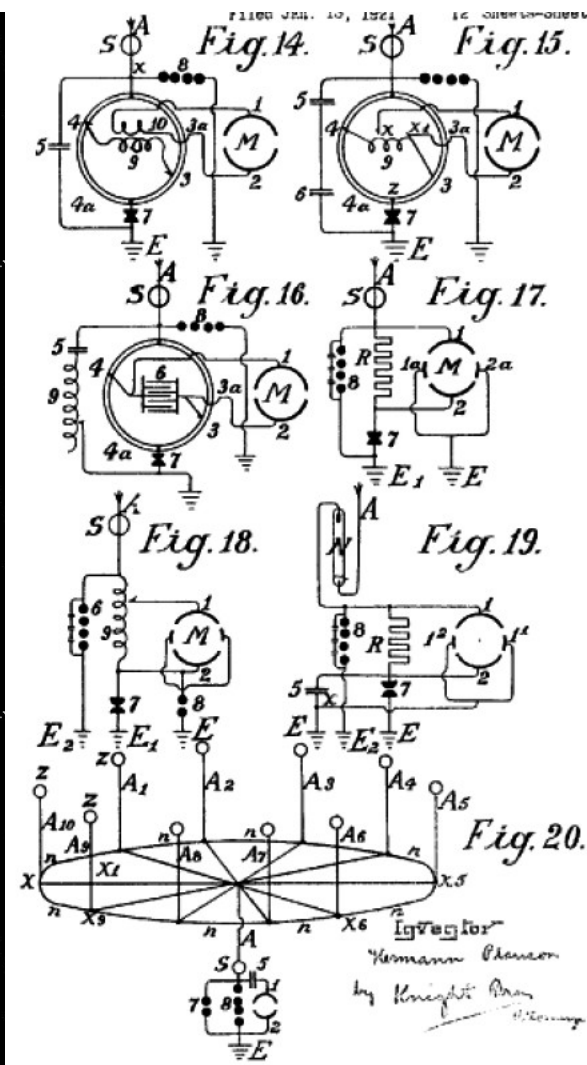
In Figure 10 a purely inductive coupling is employed for the motor circuit. The motor is connected with the secondary wire 10 as may be seen in Figure 10. The modified diagram connection, Figure 12.

The diagrams are hitherto described as preferable of motors of small and medium strength to be operated. For large quantities of energy is difficult; switch is greater.

A means of overcoming such difficulties is shown in Figure 13. The oscillation circuit starts from the point x over condenser 5, variable inductance 9, spark gap 7, and back to point x. The segments 3rd and 4th forming arms of a Wheatstone bridge, electromagnetic oscillations of equal and opposite polarity are shown in the diagram. If the brushes 3 and 4 are moved in common with the conducting wires 1 and 2 which connect the brushes with the stator poles to cause a displacement of the polarity is obtained and the motor commences to revolve.

The maximum action will result if one brush 3 comes on the central sparking contact 7 and the other brush 4 on the part x. Gaps with the motor oscillation circuit





14. The diagram 14 differs from the foregoing only by the motor not being directly related to the motor commutator, but only a primary coil 9 which induces in 10, current which feeds the motor M and takes the place of the rotor. A loose coupling and an oscillation circuit without a spark gap.

In Figure 15 the motor is not purely inductive as in 14, but directly metallically branched off from the primary coil (at x and x') after the principle of the auto-

In Figure 16 instead of an inductance condenser 6 is similarly, and for the same object inserted between the segments 3a and 4a. This has the advantage that it need not be made of solid metal but may consist of spiral coils whereby a more exact regulation is possible and further motors of high inductance may be employed.

The arrangements of Figures 17, 18 and 19 may be employed for use with resonance and particularly with induction condenser motors; between the large condenser surfaces, small reversing pole condenser surfaces, small reversing pole condensers are connected, which can be seen from Figures 17, 18 and 19 and earth. Such reversing poles

Figure 19 shows a method of electromagnetic oscillations of the high number of alternations. It is based on the well-known principle of a mercury lamp, one electrode is formed of mercury, the other of solid metal. The mercury electrode of the vacuum tube. From this it can be seen only from the aerial through the vacuum tube circuit, but not vice versa. Oscillations which are formed on being transformed into an oscillating circuit.

In practice these vacuum tubes must be connected behind the danger of lightning.

As regards the use of spark gaps, can be used for wireless telegraphy may be used. Of course the spark gaps in large machines must have sufficiently large cooled in liquid carbonic acid or better still in liquid nitrogen or hydrogen; in most cases the cooling of the metal series by the means of hydrocarbons which lies between  $-90^{\circ}\text{C}$  and  $-40^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The spark gap casing must also be insulated and may be strengthened to be able to resist any pressure which may arise. Excess super-pressure which may be formed must be automatically let off. Mercury electrodes which were frozen in liquid carbonic acid.

Figure 20 is one of the simplest forms of construction of an aerial network in combination with collectors, transformers and the like illustrated diagrammatic earth wire, 8 the spark gap, 7 the working spark gap, 1 and 2 the stator surfaces of the motor, 5 to the condenser, battery, the protective magnet which is a coil in aerial conductor, A to aerial antennae with collecting balloons, horizontal collecting or connecting wire from which, to the center to number of connections.

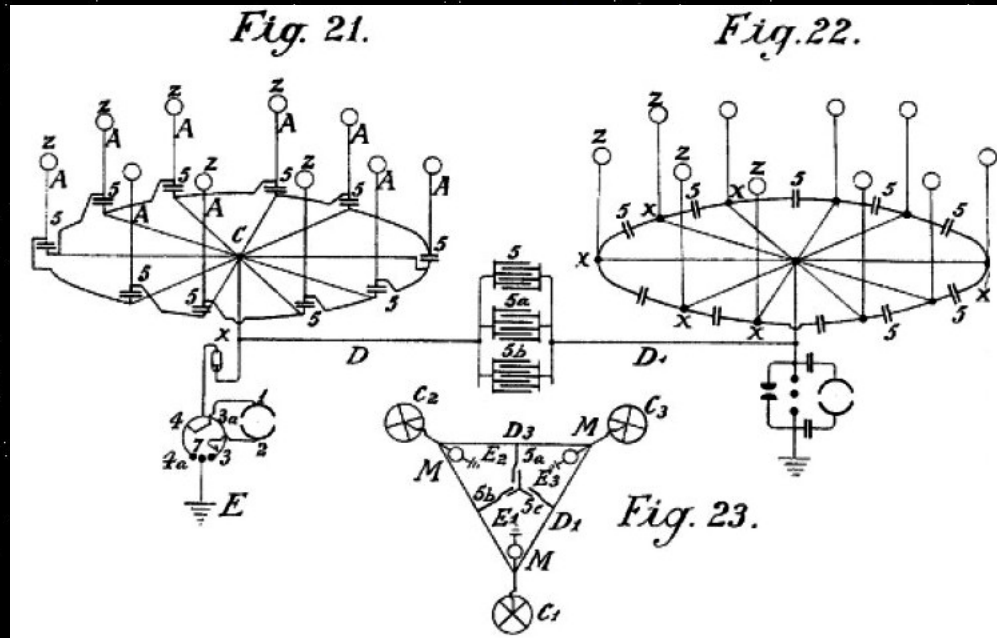
The actual collectors consist of metal sheaths, preferably made of aluminum magnesium alloy, and are filled with hydrogen or helium and are attached to collecting wires. Is the actual weight of the balloon and the weight of the conducting wire. On top of the balloon aluminum spikes, made and gilded in a special manner described, are arranged in order to produce a conductor action. Small quantities of radium preparations, more particularly polonium-ium or mesothorium considerably increase the ionization, and therewith the action of these collectors.

In addition to metal balloons, fabric balloons which are superficially metal coated according to Schoop's metal spraying process, may also be employed. They may also be produced by lacquering with metallic bronze powders in two electrical series of widely different metals.

Instead of the ordinary round balloons, they can be used. Non-conducting substances, which produces electricity by the wind, also produces electricity. Collecting effect is substantially increased, the wind will impart a portion of its energy in the form of frictional electricity.

In practice however, very high towers may be used as an antenna. In these towers, copper tubes freely rise above the top of the tower. Lamp to form a coil conveyed through the interior of the tube up to the summit. The copper tube must be protected from the effects of the tower and the rain must be prevented by walls of the tower. This is done by a series of enlargements of the Siamese pagodas.

Special attention must be devoted to the foundations of such towers. They can be well insulated from the ground, which may be obtained by first embedding a in a box. There is an iron-concrete layer in which the metal foot of the tube is secured. This concrete block must be at least 2 meters from the ground. In the tower a wood or glass house for the large condenser batteries or for the motors may be constructed. In order to lead the earth to a well-insulated pit constructed must be provided. These towers are erected at equal distances. To be used on high voltage conductors. Can be taken at any suitable places.



In order to collect a large number of units of electricity, please refer to Figures 21 and 22. In Figure 21 the batteries of condensers Z by the aerial conductor, to the other conductor.

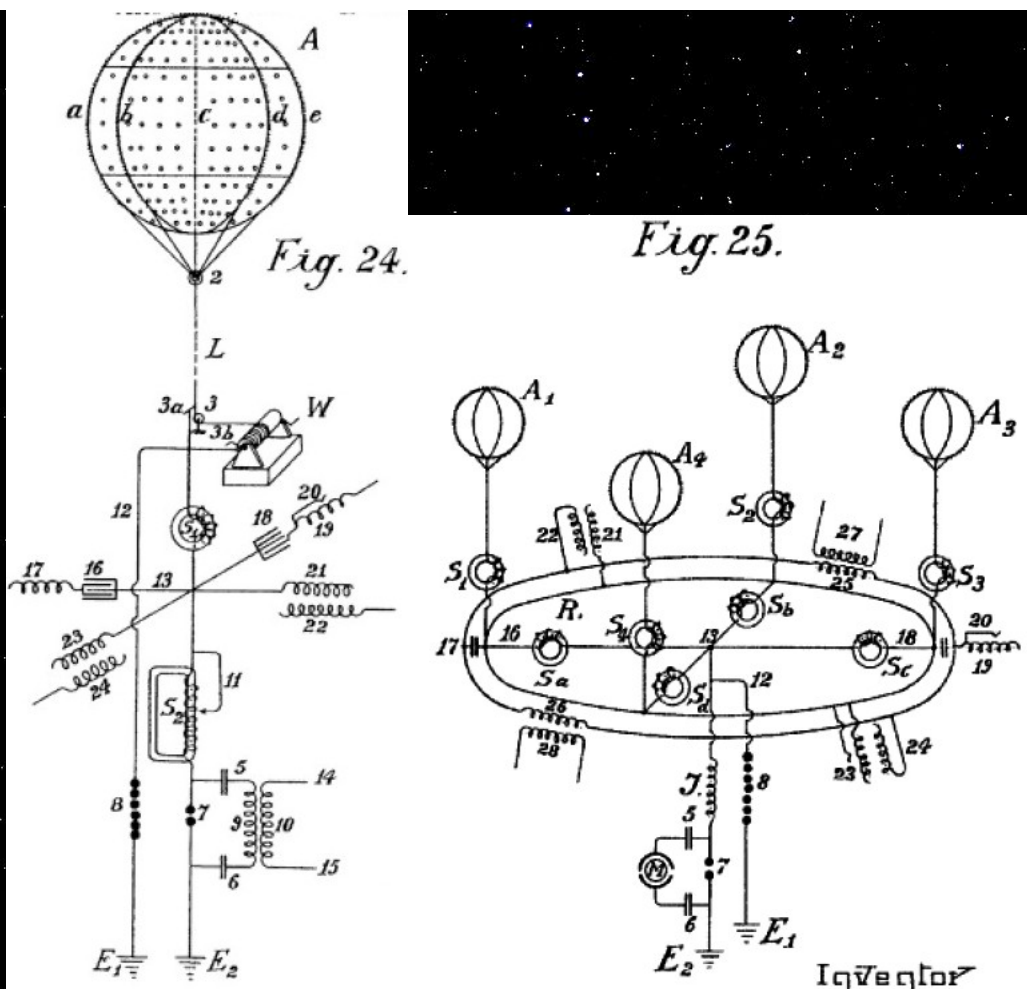
Figure 22 shows a similar arrangement, or two different series of antennae rings for sufficiently large capacitor batteries (S, Sa, Sb) by means of Maji star conductors. In Figure 23 a connection of three such rings with a central condenser battery is illustrated.

The condenser batteries of such large installations must be embedded in liquid gases or liquids freezing at very low temperatures. In these cases a portion of energy must be used for liquefying these gases. It is also preferable to employ pressure. This is the reason why this is not the case. For smaller installations the condensers in well-insulated oil or the like, suffices. Solid substances on the other hand can not be used as insulators.

The arrangement in the diagrams was shown to be such that the condenser batteries were connected with both poles directly to the aerial condensers. An improved connections for the supply of electricity to the condenser batteries has been found to be very advantageous. This arrangement consists of one pole (unipolar network). Such a method of arrangement is very important, as a means of being a constant current and an increase of the normal working pressure or voltage it have a collecting balloon, which is allowed to rise to a height of 300 meters, shows 40,000 volts above earth voltage, in practice it is only about 400 volts. Balance of the condenser, the capacity of the condenser surfaces up to and beyond 500 volts. This can be ascribed to the favorable action of the connecting method. The aircraft in the air with the exception of 500 volts. This can be ascribed to the favorable action of the connecting method. The capacity of the aircraft in the air of 500 volts. This can be ascribed to the favorable action of the connecting method.

In addition to this substantial improvement, it has also been found to be a double inductance with electromagnets. It can also be used as an induction coil or as a condenser itself as an induction condenser. This is a condenser that can be applied to the accumulated force. Condenser pole, and if the spark gap is a accumulated energy is again given back to the free condenser pole. The same as the collector network. Increased energy. Inserted in the same space of time.





In Figures 24 and 25 two different diagrams of connections are shown, Figure 24 shows a collecting balloon and the diagram of the connections to earth. Figure 25 shows three collecting balloons and the parallel connection of the condenser batteries belonging thereto.

A is the collecting balloon made of an aluminum magnesium alloy (electron metal, magnalium) of a specific gravity of 1.8 and a thickness of plate 0.1 to 0.2 mm. There are eight strong vertical ribs of T-shaped section about 10 to 20 mm in height and about 3 mm in thickness with the projecting part directed inwards (indicated so forth); They are riveted together to form a skeleton and are stiffened in a horizontal direction by two cross ribs. Internally and transversely by means of which the balloon obtains great power of resistance and elasticity. Rolled plates of 0.1 to 0.2 mm in thickness made of magnalium alloy are then either soldered to this skeleton coppered steel hawser L twisted out of separate thin wires (shown in dotted lines in Figure 24) and which should be long enough to allow the balloon to rise in the desired height, to metal roller or pulley 3 and from thence to a winch W, well insulated from the earth. The means of this winch, the balloon, which is filled with hydrogen, or helium, and brought to the ground for recharging or repairs. The coppered steel hawser L twisted out of separate thin wires (shown in dotted lines in Figure 24) and which should be long enough to allow the balloon to rise in the desired height, to metal roller or pulley 3 and from thence to a winch W, well insulated from the earth. The means of this winch, the balloon, which is filled with hydrogen, or helium, and brought to the ground for recharging or repairs.

The actual current is taken directly through a friction contact from the metal 3 or from the wire, or even from the winch or from the three by means of brush

Beyond the brushes the conductor is divided, the paths being: --- firstly over 12 to the safety spark gap 8, from the earth to the conductor  $E_1$ , and secondly over  $S_1$ , point 13, to a second loose electromagnet having an adjustable coil  $S_2$ , then to the spark-gap 7 and to the second earth conductor  $E_2$ . The actual working current flows through the spark gap 7, condensers 5 and 6, and through the primary coil 9; here the static electricity formed by oscillatory discharges is accumulated and converted into

frequency electromagnetic oscillations. Between the electromagnets  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  at the crossing point 13, four condenser batteries are introduced as diagrammatically in the drawings each by one condenser. Two of these batteries (16 and 18) are induction condensers and prolonged by regulating induction coils 17 and 19 while the two others (21 and 23) are induction condensers. The condenser batteries 16, 18, 21 and 23 are connected by only one pole to the aerial conductor. The second poles 17, 19, 22 and 24 are open. In the case of plate condensers having no inductive resistance and an induction coil is inserted. The spiral or coil is the displacement of the current phase by  $1/4$  periods, while that of the current charge of the condenser poles which lie free in the air, works back and forth. The consequence of this is that in the aerial collectibles. It has also been found in The length of the coil in the size of the induction coil. It has also been found in The length of the coil in the size of the induction coil.

$S_1$  and  $S_2$  may be provided with such regulating devices in the case of  $S_2$  (illustrated by 11). 12 and spark gap 8 or through any other suitable apparatus, since it would be dangerous for the other apparatus.

The small circles on the collector balloon indicate places at which zinc amalgam or gold amalgam or other photoelectric acting metals in the form of small patches (thin layers 0.01 to 0.05 mm in thickness) are applied to the entire balloon as well as in greater thickness to the conducting network. The capacity of the collector is increased strengthened at the surface. Polonium amalgams and the like. On the surface of the collector balloon metal points or spikes are also fixed along the network to serve for collecting the collector charge. For this purpose it is very important to employ as sharp spikes as possible. Spikes made of bars or rollers with a large, rough surface; spikes made of bars or rollers with rough surfaces: Here you are experimented with the collector balloons hereinbefore mentioned. The best results were given by the following way. End points made of steel, copper, nickel, or copper and nickel alloys, were fastened together in bundles and then placed in a suitable electrolyte (preferably in hydrochloric acid or iron) at 2 to 3 volts pressure. Spikes or pins the points become extremely sharp and the balloon

have a rough surface. The bundle can be washed off with water. Platinum, iridium, palladium or wolfram salts or their compounds and coated with a cathode precious metal, which must be sufficiently firm to protect them from atmospheric oxidation.

Such spikes act at a 20-fold lower voltage almost as well as the best and finest points made by mechanical means. Polonium or radium salts are added to the forming and protective layer or coating. These pins have a low resistance at their points.

In Figure 24 the three unconnected poles are not connected with one another in parallel. That is quite possible in practice without altering the principle of the preferable to interconnect in parallel to a common collector network, a series of collecting aeriels.

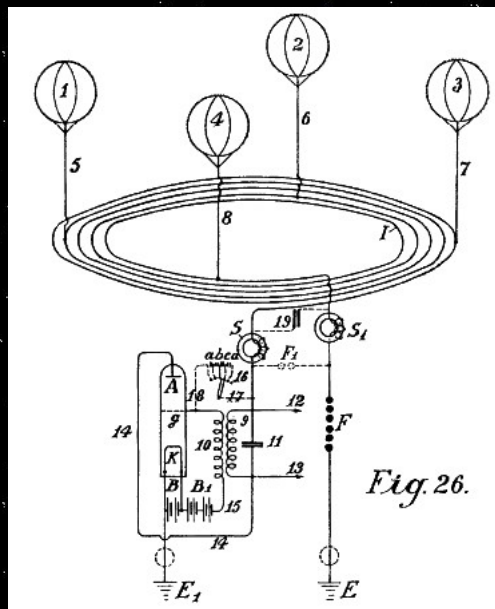
Figure 25 shows a diagram for such an installation.  $A^1, A^2, A^3, A^4$  are four metal collector balloons with gold or platinum coated spikes which are electrostatically attracted to the presence of polonium emanations or radium salts, which spikes or needles are connected over four electromagnets  $S^1, S^2, S^3, S^4$ , through an annular conductor. From this annular conductor four wires run over four further electromagnets  $Sa, Sb, Sc, Sd$ , to the connecting point 13. the safety spark gap 8 to the earth at  $E^1$ , the inductive resistance  $J$  and the working spark gap 7 to the earth at  $E^2$ . The working circuit, consisting of the condenser 5 and 6 and a resonance motor herebefore described, is connected in proximity with the sparking gap section 7.

Of the primary circuit for high frequency oscillatory current may also be connected.

The condenser batteries are connected by one and the inductionless (16 and 18) or made as induction condensers as shown by 21 and 23. The free poles of the condensers are indicated by 17 and 19, those of the induction condensers by 22 and 24. May be interconnected in parallel through a second annular conductor, that the principle of the free pole connection will be injured. In addition to the advantages already set up the parallel connection also provides an equalization pressure. Suitable constructed and calculated induction coils 25 and 26 may also be included in the annular conductor of the free poles.

According to what has been hereinbefore stated separate collector balloons may be connected to equidistant stations distributed over the entire country, or connected with one other metallically or by means of intermediate suitably connected capacitor batteries through high voltage conductors insulated from earth. This is possible on the following criteria: The wires leading from the collector balloons have hitherto been connected through an annular conductor without this endless connection, but without any action on the whole conductor system.

A condenser, or short circuited in the form of coils over a condenser battery or spark gap or through thermionic tubes or valves or audions, then the total circuit exhibits quite new properties. The collection of atmospheric electricity is not only available in the collector network. Further, the atmospheric electrical forces themselves in the higher regions. In Figures 26 and 28 a form of construction is shown on the basis of which the further foundations of the method will be partly



In Figure 26, 1, 2, 3, 4 are metal collector balloons, 5, 6, 7, 8 their metallic aerial conductors and the actual collector network. High voltage masts in high voltage

coil has a diameter of 1 or 100 km or more.  $S$  and  $S^1$  are two protective electromagnets,  $F$  the second safety section against excess voltage, and its earth conductor. Anion of the electromagnet  $S$ , primary induction coil 9, conductor 14, anode tube, incandescent cathode  $K$ , as an electromagnet and the safety spark gap  $F$  offers considerably greater resistance. An electromagnetic alternating field is produced in the interior of the collector network whereby the whole free electrons are directed into the interior of the coil. An increased ionization of the atmosphere. In addition to this, they will be shown in balloons show a reduced resistance and therefore increased static charges between the points on the balloon and the surrounding atmosphere are produced. This is a significantly increased collector effect.

A second effect, which can not be obtained from the electromagnetic alternating field, which runs parallel to the earth surface, whereby in the case of fluctuation a return induction current of reversed sign is always produced in the collector coil by earth magnetism. Now if the current periodicity is also produced in the network coil. As the same alternating field is further transmitted to the aerial balloon, while the collector action is considerably increased. A further advantage is the increase of potential of the collector area. The field of collectable surfaces, when the collateral surfaces occur, when the collectable surface is produced by the law of induction of reversed sign on the collector surface and so on charge). In addition to the advantages hereinbefore set, the construction of connecting conductor when sufficiently large, also in the simplest way. Sturmo's fire or northern lights. These energy quantities have not been available to be used up to now. By these kinds of energy, as they are of an electromagnetic nature and the direction of the axis of the collector coils stands at the right angles to the earth's surface, less absorbed in the same way as a receiver in a wireless telegraphy absorbs waves coming from a far distance. It is possible to connect large surface and to take up large quantities of energy. can be more or less absorbed in the same way as a receiver in a wireless telegraphy absorbs waves coming from a far distance. It is possible to connect large surface and to take up large quantities of energy.



It is well known that it is large diameter. If it is constantly taking place in the atmosphere. Particularly in the tropics or still better in the polar regions where it are present, large quantities of energy may be obtained in this way. A coil with several windings should act the best. In similar manner, any alteration of the should act inductively on such a coil.

This is an induction in that collector coils of sufficient size. In the same way, this collector will react on the earth. By combining the previous kind of current form of electricity are considerably increased.

In order to produce the improved collector coil, a uniform current oscillations of an undamped nature may be called a "high vacuum or thermionic tubes of suit instead of the previously known spark gaps (Figures 26, Nos. 9-18). Electromagnet The main aerial current flows through electromagnet ( ) and may be c primary coils in the induction winding through wire. Parallel with the induction resistance 9 a regulating capacity of a suitable size, such as condenser 11 i lower part of the tube, the tube is arranged for the incandescent filament or the cathode K which is fed through a battery B. From the battery B two branches run conductor E<sup>1</sup> and the other through battery B<sup>1</sup> and secondary coil 10 to the grid above g in the vacuum tube. By the method of connections shown in dotted voltage at the grid electrode g may also be produced through the wire 17 and some small capacitors ( a, b, c, d ) connected in series, and conductor 18, without being required.

The action of the entire system is somewhat as follows: -

The condenser pole 11 is charged and slightly damped oscillations are formed in the short circuited existing oscillation circuit of the condenser 11 and self in fluctuations of the voltage in the anode circuit, with the same frequency, which changes the strength of the electrode. A permanent supply of energy to the osc and 10 consequently takes place, until a condition of balance is set up, in which the consumed oscillation is equal to that absorbed.

For a period of 180° so that if the grid is negatively charged, then the anode is positively charged and vice versa. This is the possibility of separating the osc the connection between the anodes and the grid circuit and so forth.

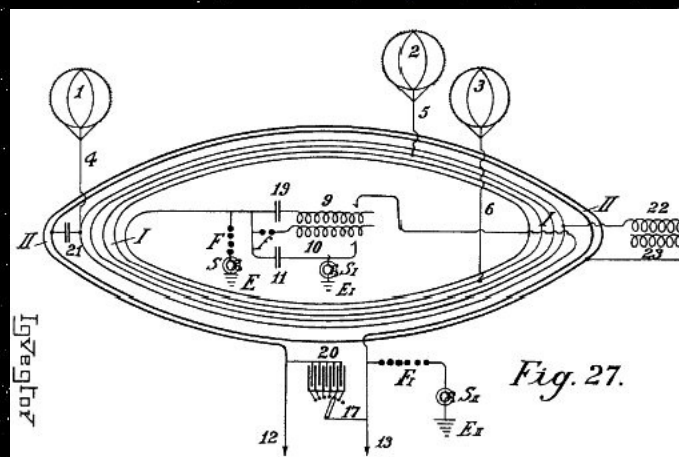
A second important factor in this way of converting the use of the grid circuit, or as shown by dotted lines 16, 17, 18 by means of a larger or smaller number suitable size connected in series; in this case the battery B may be omitted. With a suitable selection of the grid potential in glow discharge takes place between the anode A and a dark space is formed. The size of this cathode is influenced by the ions which are emitted in the lower space. On the other hand the number through the grid is dependent on the grid between the grid and the cathode. Thus is the grid voltage undergoes periodic fluctuations (in the present case) the cathode drop at the grid fluctuates and consequently the internal resistance of the tube correspondingly fluctuates, so that takes place, the necessary means are production of undamped oscillations and of taking current.

The frequency of the undamped oscillations produced with the coupling of the oscillation circuits 9 and 10. By a suitable selection of the self induction of the electromagnetic oscillation of only a few meters wavelength down to the lowest High vacuum transmission tubes of 0.5 to 2 kw in size can be connected in parallel.

Dynamics circuit is also known to be used as such tubes for producing undamped oscillations, and also on the contrary their use at lower voltages is considerable. Gaps must be considered as an ideal solution for the use of high-voltage electricity.

By the application of safety spark gaps, with interpolation of electromagnets, not only is short-circuiting but also the taking up of current is regulated. Osc inserted in the above way form a constantly acting electromagnetic alternating field in the collector coil, whereby accumulated effect takes place. O electromagnetic alternating field, so long as the direction of its axis running parallel with that of the main current.

In oscillation circuits 9 and 11, electromagnets S and S<sup>1</sup> must be inserted if the high frequency oscillations are not to be penetrated the collector coil, between producers and the collector coil. In all other cases they are connected shortly before the earthing (as in Figures 27 and 28).

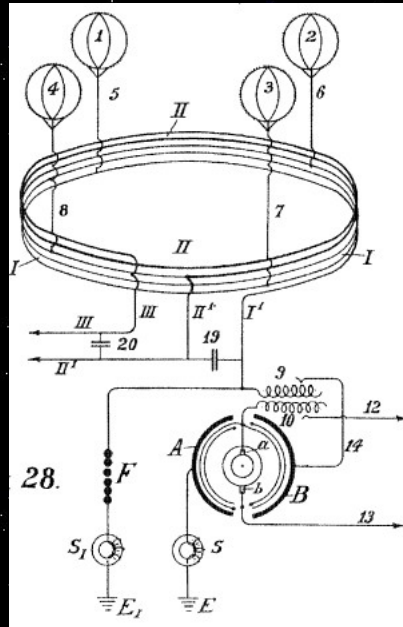


In Figure 27 a second method of construction of the connecting conductor is shown in the form of a coil. The other annular conductor II is inserted parallel to the air but both in the form of a coil. The connection of the balloon aeriels is indicated as a primary conductor and also as a current producing network; the other is not connected to the current production network.

In Figure 27, the current producing network is shown with three balloon collectors 1, 2, 3 and aerial conductors 4, 5, 6; it is short-circuited through condenser 9. The oscillation forming circuit consists of this diagram of spark gap f, inductance 10, and condenser 11; the earth wire E<sup>1</sup> is connected to earth over elect the spark spark gap which is also connected to earth through a second electromagnet S at E. On connecting the condenser circuit. This discharging cur inductance 10 on the inductively coupled secondary 9, whereby in the producing network a modification of the potential of the condenser 19 is produced. I producer network. These oscillations induces a current in the secondary circuit, which corresponds to the proportion of the number of windings and of the oh greater.

In order to be able to convert the current wavelengths, a sufficiently large regulatable capacity of 20 into inserted between the ends 12 and 13 of the secondary and to be connected to the earth over an electromagnet S2.

The over-induction condenser 21 or over an induction condenser 22, 23. In this case the secondary conductor is unipolarly connected with the energy conductor



In Figure 28, the connecting conductor between the separate accumulator balloons is carried out according to the autotransformer principle. The collecting aerial balloons 1, 2, 3, 4, the windings of which are not made side by side but one above the other. In Figure 28 the collector coil I is shown with a thin line connected prolongation coils II with a thick line. Between the ends I' and II' of the energy networks in the regulating capacity 19 is inserted. The wire is a wire output and the spark gap F.

As a transformer of the electricity supply, it is made of rotary pairs of condensers in which the one is connected to the earth pole. Collector rings and brushes, alternating current, the frequency of which is dependent on the number of balloons and the revolutions of the rotor. In this invention, in this improved method this invention, through coils I on the inductance 9, an increase or decrease of the current feed in I can be obtained according to the direction of the current by

These rhythms produce short-circuited through the regulatable condenser 19 these rhythms produce short-circuited undamped oscillations in the energy periodicity and wave wavelength and therewith also to a given frequency. These currents may Also be employed in this form directly as working current through II and III. By inserting the condenser 20 a connection between these conductors may also be made, whereby harmonic oscillations of desired wavelengths are means quite new effects as regards current distribution. Coil with a cable or a cable to a point in the interior of the producing network is firmly or movably moving conductor. In this case it is induced in the producing network, the size of which is dependent on the total capacity and resistance and also on the periodic potential or afford afforded in the future, network by wireless means. This is also the case for the acquisition of energy for the future.

Instead of spark gaps grid vacuum tubes may be used as producers for undamped oscillations. The separated coils of the producer may be connected with one separate conductors all in parallel or in series or in groups in series. By collating the number of oscillations and also the extent of the voltage more or less they be spirally over the entire section. Angular form or also in triangular, quadrangular, hexagonal or octagonal form.

The current waves as guides. This is necessary when the currents have been taken over mountains and valley and so forth. In all these cases, the current must be of current of suitable periodicity.

As already hereinbefore mentioned separate collecting balloons may be directly metallically interconnected at equidistant stations distributed over the entire earth connected by interpolation of suitable capacitors. A range of oscillations, and could be in such forms, a wit to a suitable arrangement of the connections, of measures of protection, regulation.

Collecting effect of the balloon in the aerial collector of the balloon, radiating collectors are employed. These consist either of incandescent metal or oxide electrodes of vacuum tubes, or electric arcs (mercury and the like electrodes), Nernst lamps, or finally flames of various kinds may be connected with the respective conductors.

An incandescent body with an incandescent body and an electric tube. Hitherto however, a cathode was always first directly placed as an anode, and secondly it consisted of a closed circuit.

Light and flame arcs in which a cathode only as a source unipolar discharge (which represent group and point discharges in electrostatic machines in discharges), it may be ascertained that incandescent cathodes and less all incandescent radiators, flames and the like radiate into the open space in the form of as transmitters.

The object of this invention is as described below, if such incandescent oxide electrodes or other incandescent radiators or flames are not supported in space metallically with the earth so that they can be charged with negative terrestrial electricity, these radiators possess the property of absorbing the free positive electricity. They can serve as collectors and have, in comparison to the action of the spikes, or points, a very large radius of action R; the effective capacity of these is greater than the geometrical capacity ( $R^2$ ) calculated in an electrostatic sense.

Now as our earth is surrounded by an electrostatic field and the difference of potential

$$\frac{\delta V}{\delta h}$$

of the earth field according to the latest investigations, is in the summer about 60 to 100 volts and in the winter 300 to 500 volts per meter of difference in height. calculation gives the result that when a radiation collector or flame collector is arranged for example on the ground, with a distance of 2000 meters and both a conducting cable, there is a difference in potential in the summer of about 2,000,000 volts and in winter even of 6,000,000 volts and more.



According to Stefan Boltzmann's law of radiation, the quantity of energy, which is an incandescent surface (temperature  $T$ ) of 1 sq cm, radiates into a unit of air (temperature  $T_0$ ) is expressed by the following formula:

$$S = \sigma (T^4 - T_0^4) \text{ watt/sq cm.}$$

Equal to  $6.30 \times 10^{-12}$  watt / sq. Cm. And the universal radiation  $\sigma$  is based on the latest researches of Ferry ( *Annales de Chimie et de Physique* , 17: 267 [1909

Now if an incandescent surface of 1 sq cm shows, as compared with the surrounding space a periodic fall of potential  $\sigma V$  it radiates (independent of the sign) secondo with the above formula, for example at a temperature of  $3725^\circ \text{C}$  an energy of 1.6 kw / sq cm / second. As for the radiation can be calculated for the collection of energy, but reversed. 60 cm to 65 cm per cm per cm, no carbon will result in this direction in employing radiation accumulators.

If the earth be regarded as a cosmically insulated condenser in the sense of geometrical electrostatics there results from the geometric (appears Edwald Rasch *Bogenlicht* [The Electric Arc Light], page 169) capacity of the earth according to Functional Chwolson:

For negative charging  $1.3 \times 10^6$  Coulomb

For negative potential  $V = 10 \times 10^8$  volts.

From this there results however,  $EJT = 24.7 \times 10^{24}$  watts / sec. This is an example of an electrician, who works for about  $79,500 \times 10^{10}$  kilowatt years. thermodynamically, electromagnetically and also kinematically coupled with the sun and a system of cosmic radiation and gravitation. The energies which collectors would withdraw from the earth field can only be houses by the withdrawal of motor work in lowering of the earth temperatures (temperatures  $T_E = 300$

to the world of space ( $T = 0$ ) by using the entire energy. This is not a cosmically entirely insulated system. From the sun an energy of  $18,500 \times 10^{10}$  kw. lowering of the earth temperature ( $T_E$ ) without a simultaneous lowering of the sun's temperature ( $T_s$ ) would contradict Stefan Boltzmann's law of radiation.

$$S = \sigma (T_s^4 - T_E^4)$$

From this it must be concluded that if the earth temperature ( $T_E$ ) sinks the total radiation  $S$  absorbed by the earth increases, and further also that the secular of the earth is directly dependent on that of the sun and the other radiators cosmically coupled with the sun and is connected with most closely.

The incandescent radiation collectors may be used for negative energy and if they are (1) are charged with the negative earth electricity and (2) if large surfaces charged with electricity are mounted opposite them as positive poles in the air. It is not possible to collect with an incandescent collector, sufficiently the electrical charges contained in the atmosphere as the technology requires; very small, especially if it be considered that the very small surface density (er about  $= 2 \times 7 \cdot 10^9$  St. E. per sq cm) does not allow large quantities of charge being absorbed from the atmosphere.

x) Calculated according to Poisson's calculation:

$\Delta V = -4\pi\sigma$ ; as here the alteration of the potential or potential is taken place in the direction of the normal, this calculation assumes the simple form

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{4\pi} \times \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial n^2}$$

It has been already proposed to be used as collaterals for collectibles. It is however, not known that the quantities of current which could be hitherto be so purposes. According to my experiments the reason for this is too small capacities of the collector conductor poles. If such flame or radiating collectors have positive surfaces, their radius of action is too small. If the incandescent collectors are being held in practice, they are not yet being carried out in practice.

By this invention the collector effect is considerably increased by a positive potential and the possibility of being held floating in the air at a desired height. A sheet of sheet metal or of metalized balloon made to mount to 300 meters to 3000 meters in the air and as a positive pole it is brought forward to a radiating collector conductor to the earth, quite different results are obtained.

The metallic balloon shell (with a large surface) This is the greater the collecting balloon is above the incandescent collector. It is being attracted through the ionization, proceeding from the incandescent cathode. Collection of the incandescent cathode collector is appreciatively enhanced and also the collection balloon surface. More than a large piece of water, if it is not enough.

In the air and being in the air in the air conductively connected to earth.

Condenser and an inductive resistance being switched on in parallel, a process that can be carried out by two such contacts.

Such as radiating collectors in series. An incandescent cathode may be seen from the open ground and an incandescent cathode which is heated by special currents. Of course for this the special vacuum Liebig tubes with or without grids may also be employed. An ordinary arc lamp with oxide electrodes may be ground and the positive pole is not directly connected to the collecting balloon, but through the upper inc. The method of connecting the incandescent cathode may be seen in Figures 29-33.

B is the air balloon, K a Cardan ring (connection with the hawser), C the balloon, L a good connecting cable, P a positive pole, N negative incandescent cathode conductor.

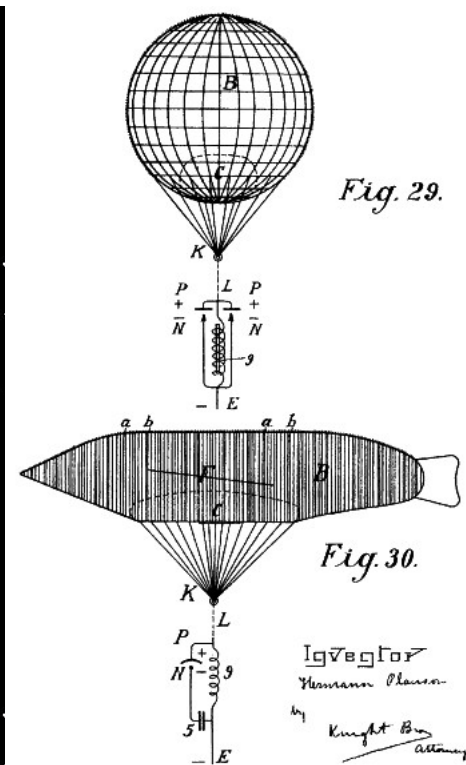
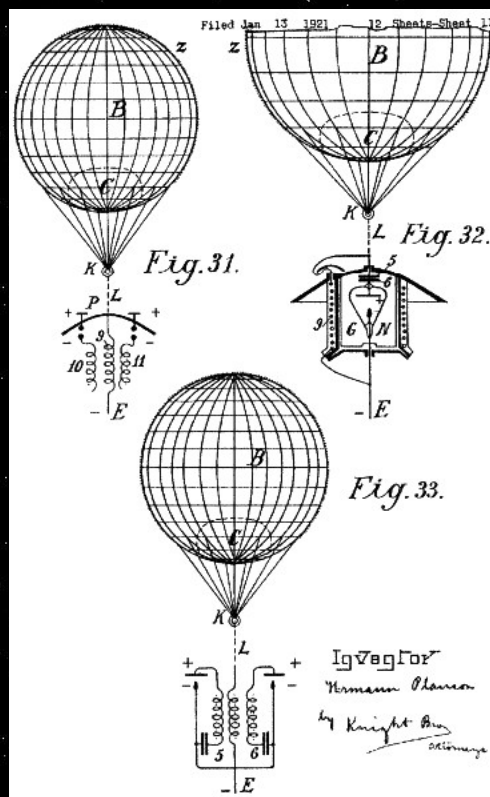


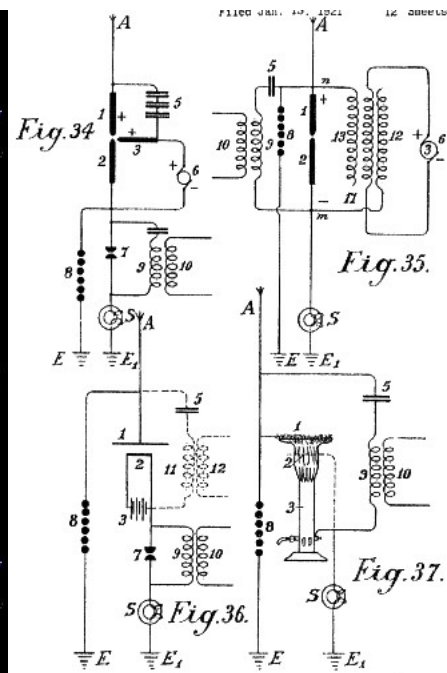
Figure 29 represents the simplest form of construction. The electric oscillations are produced below the ground by means of a carbon arc lamp or other suitable electrical resistance. If, over N and P only an inductionless ohmic resistance is present, a spark will spring over as long as the separate induction and the like are correctly calculated. The oxide electrode (carbon or the like) is rendered incandescent and then shows as an incandescent cathode an increased positive pole must be larger than the negative. A large balloon that has a large capacity and is charged at high voltage, an incandescent body that is held positive pole that can collect large capacities. The incandescent cathode is the first to become incandescent by means of separate energy produced on the earth.

Figure 3 only shows the difference between the incandescent cathode and the earth conductor PN 5 and 9 is obtained. This is the small quantity of electrical cathode to become incandescent.



In this form of construction, both the incandescent cathode and the positive electrode may be enclosed in Figure 32. A cable is insulated in a condenser dish arched in order to keep off the rain. The vessel is completely made of magnetic metal and well insulated inside and outside. Opposite the disc 5 another disc 6 a positive pile of the vacuum tube with the incandescent cathode (oxide electrode) N is arranged. The negative electrode is being connected to the earth. Figure of an open incandescent cathode one enclosed in vacuo is employed. As in such collectors only small bodies can be brought to incandescence in large installations such vacuum tubes must be inserted in proximity to one another. According to the previous constructions Figures 31 and 33 are quite self evident without further





Figures 34-37 represent further diagrams of connections over radiating and flame collectors, and in fact, they are to be arranged on the ground.

Figure 34 shows an arc light collector with oxide electrodes for direct current and its connection; Figures 35 a similar one for a current flame, Figure 36 a similar one for a flame.

The positive pole 1 of the radiating collectors is always directly connected to the aerial collecting conductor A. In Figure 34 this is connected further over the 5 with a second positive electrode 3. The direct current dynamo *b* produces which current flows over between the electrodes 3 and 2 as an arc light. The negative electrode 2 absorbs electricity from the positive poles. The spark gap 7, inductive resistance 9 and induction coil 10 are like the ones previously described. The electromagnet S is the guard against the circuitry, the safety spark gap 8 from excess voltage or overcharging.

In Figure 35 the connection is so far that the alternating current dynamo feeds the exciting coil 11 of the induction condenser. 12 is its negative and 13 its positive pole. The coil 3 on the magnet of the dynamo is correctly calculated and the periodicity of the alternating current is sufficiently high and can be formed between the two poles. The cathode 2 is connected with the negatively charged earth, and therefore always acts as a negative pole, a form of rectification of the alternating current is obtained, the second half of the period is always suppressed. The working circuit may be carried out in the same way as in Figure 34; the working circuit may however be dispensed with.

Figures 36 represent a form of construction similar to the figure of an arc lamp in which a Nernst incandescent body is employed. The Nernst lamp is fed through its working section is connected with the negative pole. It is also available for 12 over the oscillation circuit 5, 11 (shown in dotted lines).

Flame collectors (Figure 37) may also be employed according to this invention. The wire network 1 is connected to the aerial collector conductor A and the earth. At the upper end of the dairy, long points are provided which project into the flame. The positive electrode is connected with the negative over a condenser circuit 5, 11 (shown in dotted lines) with the earth.

The novelty in this invention is firstly, the use of the incandescent cathodes opposite the positive poles which are connected with the large metallic capacitors collecting surfaces, (2) the connection of the incandescent cathodes with the earth whereby, in addition to the electricity conveyed to them from the battery causes the incandescing, and (3) the connection of the positive and negative poles of the radiating collectors over a condenser circuit alone or with the introduction of inductive resistance, whereby an oscillatory oscillation circuit may be obtained. The collecting effect is from these methods quite considerably increased.

I declare that what I claim is: --- [Claims not included here]

**British Patent # 157,262**

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### Improvements in Electric Motors

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This invention relates to that type of motor in which rotation is produced by means of the attraction and repulsion of surfaces.

According to this invention a stator and rotor are formed of condenser surfaces and charges of electricity.

The invention is more particularly with reference to the accompanying drawing in which:

Figure 1 shows a simple form of motor and feed.

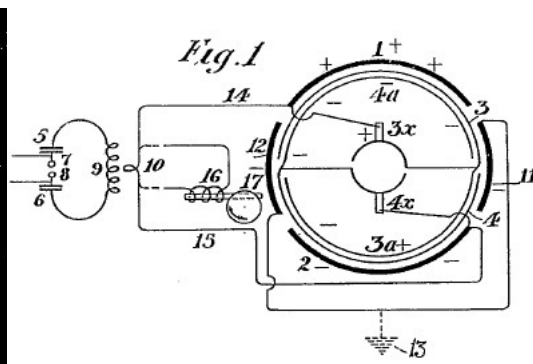


Figure 2 is a modification of Figure 1.

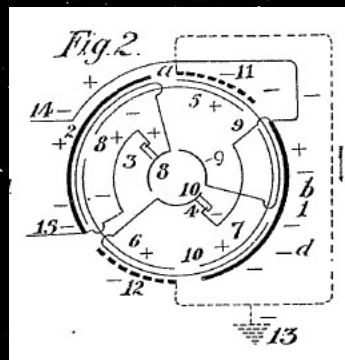
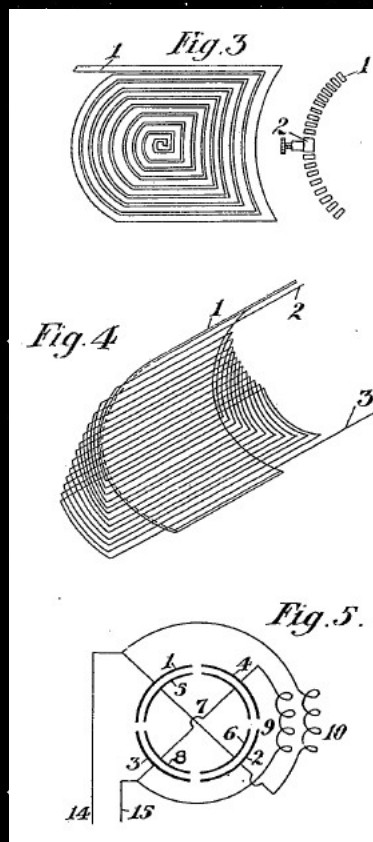


Figure 3 shows one form of a spiral condenser surface.

Figure 4 shows a wire wound condenser surface.

Figure 5 is a diagram of one type of rotor.



The inner plates of the condenser 7, 8 connected to a source of energy of sufficiently high pressure (alternating or direct current), until the potential has risen and springs over.



The spark gap 7, 8 forms with the condenser 5 and self-inductance 9 and condenser 6 a closed oscillatory circuit and alternating currents of high frequency with this circuit. Currents of the same periodicity.

The improved type of motor is fed by the discharges produced by the induction in the secondary circuit.

Hitherto only Tesla's motor system (shown diagrammatically in Figures 1, 16 and 17) was known for this purpose. The above-mentioned diagram is only showing the fundamental principle. It has no practical interest for carrying out large machines by reason of the impossibility of the regulation and the low efficiency.

All of these processes will be overcome by the construction of a machine which is applicable for high frequencies. The difference between the principle of condenser motors as compared to those of the principle of magnetic induction only (as they have been all motors hitherto and also Tesla's motors).

It will be fed directly with a static electricity but if it is connected to a source of high frequency current it will operate.

The applicants call this new type of motors 'condenser motors' to differentiate them from the hitherto existing types.

The simplest form of construction of such condenser motors is shown in Figure 1, and this motor can be fed with high frequency alternating currents.

To a moment of positive energy is charged by means of the lead 14 to the stator surface 1 and to the brush 3x (Figure 1). The 3x brush is connected with the rotor surface 3 and the rotor surface 3 is charged with positive electricity. The stator surface 1 and the rotor surface 3 and the rotor surfaces 3 and 4 with negative electricity, such motors can be a version of the alternating current in a manner similar to the starting of the synchronous motors of known construction.

Although this motor is easy to start it can only be employed for small experimental and measuring purposes because the stator and rotor surfaces are made of steel which is heated by Foucault (eddy) currents. In spite of its simplicity and its unsuitability for use in practice it must however be regarded as a basic type for technical calculation.

The condenser motor shown in Figure 2 differs from Figure 1 by the rotor surfaces consisting of six condenser surfaces connected one behind the other in series connected with three collector surfaces, so that at any one moment only two adjacent collector surfaces come under the two brushes (3 and 4). In its other action it is similar to Figure 1. The leads 14 and 15 may be connected either to the ends of the secondary coil 10 or directly with the source of energy. The outer thicker line in Figure 2 represents surfaces 1 and 2 (that is to say the unmoving part of the motor), 11 and 12 shown by thick dotted lines means earthed additional poles of the stator, 8, 9, and 10 parts of the rotor condenser surfaces which in turn are connected with the collector surfaces 8, 9, and 10. 5, 6, and 7 are the inner parts of the condenser surfaces 3 and 4 are brushes.

Hitherto stator and rotor surfaces. These conditions become highly heated with eddy currents and hardly yield 10-15% of useful effect. It is found in certain cases that the stator and condenser surfaces. It was not possible to be cut in the metal surface of the stator and rotor in the form of a spiral, not only was it to be improved.

Experiments have shown that this is possible to build a very useful motor for high frequency alternating currents more particularly those of an undamped nature.

Shown in Figure 1, but with the model shown below in Figure 5, but with the form of construction of the condensers of the stator as well as of the rotor according to the model shown in Figure 5, a condenser motor is obtained which works well in either direction for high frequency alternating current. It was also observed that the motors in such forms of construction are found to be sensitive to resonance effects. Such a motor can be used in the same way if the winding is in the stator and also in the rotor.

A motor construction according to the foregoing kind is already fully technically applicable. But even these motors have a series of faults, more particularly in the construction. For example, the attachment of the spiral condenser both in the stator and of the rotor shown in Figure 3 are in practice difficult to carry out. In the construction shown in Figure 4. These stator and rotor surfaces may be without further difficulty, be considered as electromagnetic poles, although they are not made of electromagnets.

In the case of the coil as shown in Figure 4, the coil can be embedded in insulating material or as the motorist as it has been done in the case of ordinary single pole motors. To the same time the possibility is afforded by increasing the number of changes to the individual induction co-efficients.

In Figure 5 is shown a modified construction of a capacitor surfaces 1, 2, 3, 4, of which 1 and 2 are connected through an inductance 9 coupled with the collector surfaces 5, 6, 7, 8 are provided of which 5 and 6 are connected directly 7 and 8 similarly connected.

The pair of like poles are connected by wires 14 and 15 to the source of energy. By a suitable selection of the values of the reactance and capacity in these circuits.

We have been able to do this, and we will be able to declare what we claim is: --- [Claims not included here]

### British Patent # 157,263

### Process and Apparatus for Converting Static

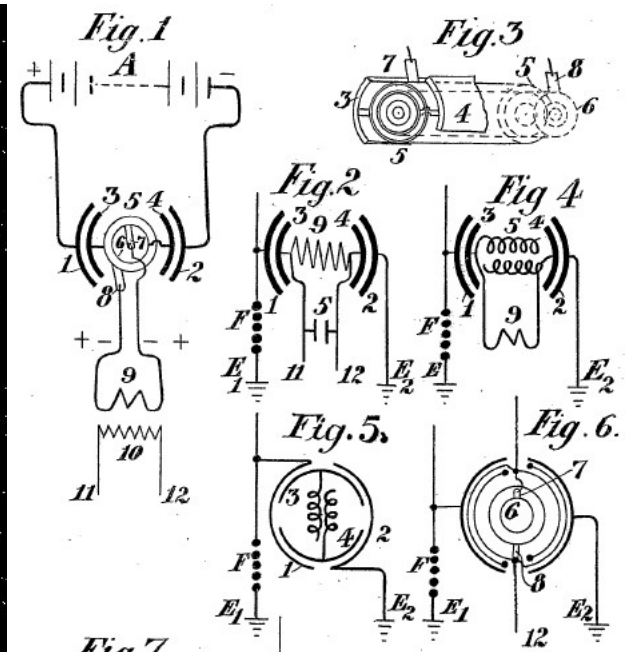
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In the form of direct current in the form of a direct current in the form of a wave in the form of a direct current in the form or by means of a special kind of 'condenser motors' --- ready to be used for technical purposes as mechanical energy.

For small installations, this system may be very well employed; about 100 horsepower may be stated as practical limit. In constructions of larger aggregate difficulty the spark gaps however increase considerably. It can be used as an alternative to a number of alternatives.

British Patent # 157,262 It was observed that the rotor, if one pole of the stator was connected to the air, collecting aerial electricity and the other pole with the stator could a motor, but if vice versa the rotor connection with the stator be interrupted and the rotor caused to rotate by means of another motor, that when the rotor is connected to the stator an alternating current the periodicity of which is dependent on the number of poles and the revolutions of the rotor. Such an apparatus may be considered as a means of converting static into dynamic electrical energy.

The invention is more particularly with reference to the accompanying diagrams in which:



In Figure 1A is a strong accumulator battery, 1 and 2 are the outer poles of the transformer, consisting of simple metallic plates as shown in Figures 8-11, without an electromagnet being present. These armors are similar to cylindrically curved plates 3 and 4. These are metalically connected with two collectors which two brushes 7 and 8 freely run which again are short 11 - 12: If the accumulator battery is used with the free ends 11 and 12, 3 which is connected by the over the primary coil 9 with the second rotor surface 4. This is the case that you are using, if you are in the current circuit, or if you are in the same circuit mechanical power, the rotor, the surface conditions are altered. After a revolution the plates are between the stator plates and therefore no condenser surface. This is the case for the entire system. Now if the rotor is turned further through 90 degrees by mechanical energy the rotor plate 3 plate 2 and the rotor plate 1, so that the rotor plates in a field of reverse sign. The first condition is again produced. The result of such a revolution is an alternating current which is equal to the number of revolution. In practice of course, not two poles but many poles as possible would be to increase the number of alternations, the periodicity of which is equal to the number of revolution. In practice of course, not two poles but many poles as possible would be to increase the number of alternations. The primary alternating current thus obtained from the winding of the coil. Figure 7 shows a multipolar machine. The first condition is again produced. The result of such a revolution is an alternating current the periodicity of which is equal to the number of revolution. In practice of course, not two poles but many poles as possible would be to increase the number of alternations. The primary alternating current thus obtained from the winding of the coil. Figure 7 shows a multipolar machine. The first condition is again produced. The result of such a revolution is an alternating current the periodicity of which is equal to the number of revolution. In practice of course, not two poles but many poles as possible would be to increase the number of alternations. The primary alternating current thus obtained from the winding of the coil. Figure 7 shows a multipolar machine. The first condition is again produced. The result of such a revolution is an alternating current the periodicity of which is equal to the number of revolution. In practice of course, not two poles but many poles as possible would be to increase the number of alternations. The primary alternating current thus obtained from the winding of the coil. Figure 7 shows a multipolar machine.

If the stator surface 2; but the rotor which is otherwise constructed as hereinbefore, be rotated by a separate motor a much stronger alternating current result ascribed to the pole of the stator by reason of the higher pressure of the static electricity than where accumulators are employed. By this means the transformer scope of supply to it.

Figure 2 shows a mode of connections. The stator surface 1 is connected to the aerial antennae which is connected through the safety spark gap F to earth surface 2 is directly earthed at E2. The inner revoluble rotor surfaces 3 and 4 are interconnected by means of an induction coil which is constructed directly current is assumed as in Figure 1, to be shown for the sake of clearness, and further conveyed through the 11 and 12 conductors. There is a short circuit oscill spark gap<sup>5</sup>, which circuit consists of the induction coil 9 and condenser 5 and is fed by the periodic charging current impulse. This is the possibility of of current which is characterized by longer periods and is undamped and oscillatory. Of course a simple alternating current may be obtained by cutting the conden

Instead of the induction coil the condenser may also be constructed in the rotor. It can be carried out in such a way that it serves directly as collector-rings through the brushes. In Figure 3 such a motor is sketched in perspective, 3 and 4 are the rotor surfaces, 5 and 6 are the condenser surfaces constructed to form consisting of two co-axial cylinders fitting free on the brushes 7 on one end of the condenser cylinder 6.

Is shown in Figure 4. A further type of transformer is shown in Figure 5. The difference consists in the stator and rotor surfaces, of the circuit but almost the h condenser is better utilized. Full face of the stator surfaces.

In addition to condition is obtained in which the stator surfaces are inductively connected by the rotor surfaces. The connection is as before.

Figure 6 shows the alternation of the rotor surfaces; two cylindrical condenser plates arranged concentrically, each divided into two halves and connected so that the inner cylinder is connected to half the outer. Transformer action.



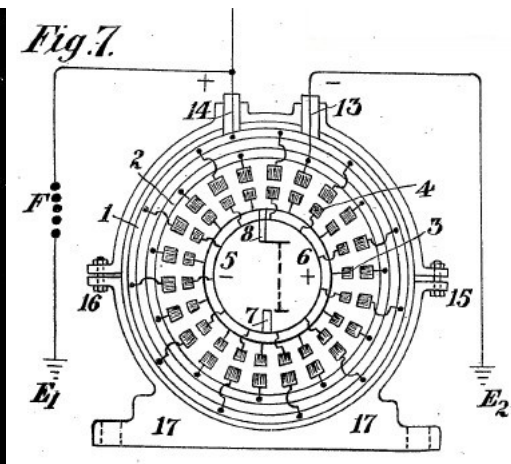


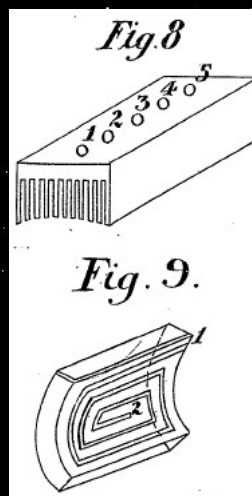
Figure 7 shows a four polar transformer. It consists of a metal casing, the lower half of which is fastened with the foundation plates: 17 to the support or foundation. The upper sleeve or case is insulated from the under part. Two rings 1 and 2 are cylindrically constructed in the center. Ring 1 is metallically connected with the collector and the ring 2 with the earth. On both rings and an equal number of stator surfaces are mounted side by side to form an electrostatic field similar to the electromagnetic in many alternating current machines. The rotor consists of the similarity of the stator, on which an equal number of rotor surfaces are fixed. By the brushes 7 and 8 the charge is conveyed by the conductor 14 to and by 13 away. Alternating current is produced as a result of suction on the collector network.

This article was previously published under Q140870 and was used as an alternative to a conversion to the friction. To the effect of the considerable energy caused by a conductor being moved through strongly electrostatic fields since the electrostatic lines of force must be cut to the right angles and that to the effect of the apparatus should not only be regarded as a transformer, but also as an energy producer, with the difference that the excitation is here, instead of by means of electricity, the entire system may, to some extent, be applied with a dynamo in which the excitation takes place. It was further ascertained that this way of using the atmosphere produced as a result of suction on the collector network.

The effects which in this instrument became evident are extremely interesting and open to the future. Merely that these transformers become already the extreme apparatus. If you are a future manufacturer, you will be able to produce a certain quantity of energy which may be constructed in the future, according to the system.

The results of the examinations made for this may be construed as follows.

(1) If solid electrodes (condenser surfaces, rotor and stator surfaces) are used they become hot. Ribbed form electromagnetism Figure 8, but not entirely recommended, allows the surface of the condenser plate to be enlarged or increased; the electrodes may be fastened in a simple manner on the under frame by perforation 1, 2,

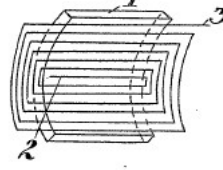


(2) If nicks or notches in spiral form as shown in Figure 9 seen from the side in Figure 10 in section are employed, not only is the transformer effect greater but their movement than a simple commutator action would require.

Fig. 10



Fig. 11



(3) The greatest effect is obtained if the rotor and stator surfaces are wound into a flat spiral form of suitably thick wire, and in that a way that the inductive effect with the capacity suitable periodicity. In practice this is done by spiral wire (see Figure 11) so that a smooth pole is similar to that in phase motors.

Fig. 12

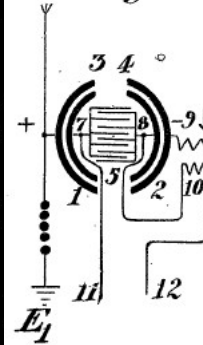
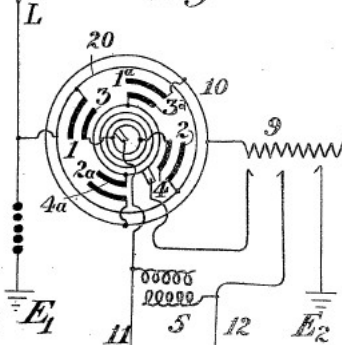
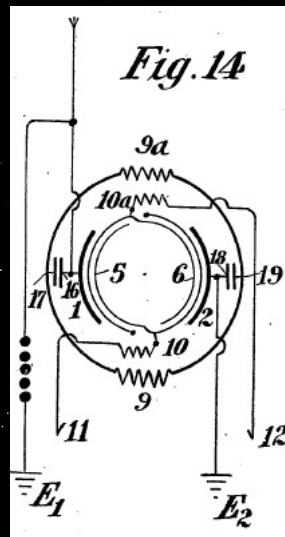


Fig. 13.



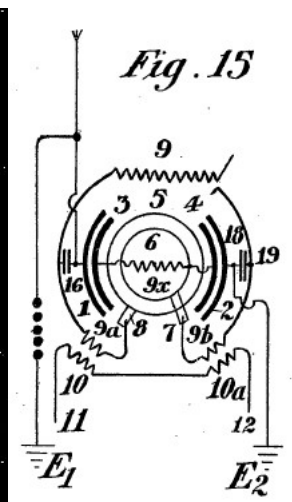
The aerial wire is shown in Figure 13. The aerial wire is connected to the ring. The inductive earth pole is also connected to ring 10 from which again two, poles 1a and 2a are branched off. Of course in the same manner any suitable number of poles may be branched off. In similar manner two poles fastened to one another (3 and 4 and 3a and 4a) connected with separate collector rings. From these two rings the current is collected by means of an inductive earth stator conductor over an induction coil 9. In parallel with the coil is a sparkless oscillatory circuit that can be applied to the exciting current in the stator. This produces however, a periodic alteration of the charge according to the rotor currents in consequence of which the stator charge also commences with resonance oscillations and if the stator and rotor surfaces are calculated to are oscillations of waves of similar length the form of which is dependent on the amplitude of the main alternating current and is caused by the number of the pole per second. Thus an alternating current of, for example, 100 periods of time is formed, the separated periods of which are formed by undamped oscillations of frequency.

Fig. 14

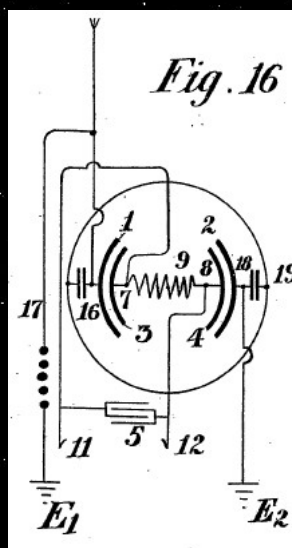


The main difference of these systems from the one that is already present in the stator pole 1 (Figure 14) and one pole 16 of the condenser 17 and the earth connected second stator pole 2 and the pole 18 of the condenser 19. The other poles of these condensers 17 and 19 are short circuited through a ring over two inductive poles 9a with one another. The secondary coils form the rotor conductors 10 and 10a. The rotor itself is constructed in the manner shown in Figure 6. In similar manner stator surfaces may also be formed. The collector rings of the rotor with the two brushes for the collecting current are shown in order to simplify the drawings. The maximum action by the connection of the two alternating current and the alternating current produced in the rotor on the stator circuit, with a correct calculation and the self-induction may be obtained. The kind of current production will be similar to that described for Figure 12.



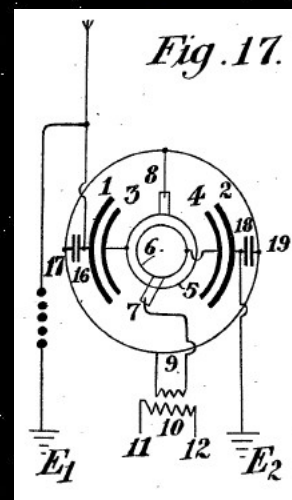


The novelty of the converter illustrated in Figure 15 consists mainly of the current in the rotor is not directly employed, but only serves the excitation of the primary coil 9b. The working current is produced in the secondary coils 10 and 10a and further conducted through the 11 and 12 conductors. The stator current may be regulated by a regulatable inductive resistance to the same resonance as the rotor current.



In Figure 16 a very similar system is shown in Figure 14. The condenser 5 is connected in parallel with the converter; and in the rotor a short circuited oscillator is formed which gives extraordinarily good results and is simple in construction.

The inductive resistance may be considered as primary coil used outside the rotor and short circuit (see Figure 17).



The last six types serve only for producing oscillations of a high number of alternations. If it be desired to be ordinary alternating current there complicated arrangements are not required as the types illustrated in Figures 1 to 11 suffice. It is self-evident that these arrangements may be altered in various ways. We have been able to describe this as well as the fact that we are doing it, we declare that what we claim is: --- [Claims not included here]